時代を斬る!!WJに斬り込む!!待望の新連載だ!!

刀に込めた武士の誇りは現代も光り輝く!!学園剣術大活劇、堂々開戦!!

☆新連載巻頭カラー54P!!「斬」 杉田尚

学園は戦場！
刀を交えて求める友情！
武士に憧れ、強さを欲す、
少年・村山斬
ここに登場!!
!!!
一太刀　斬、見参!!
ジャンプ十二傑
新人漫画賞出身!!
北海道が生んだ
若き漫画武士!!
杉田尚

☆吹き抜ける斬新な風！届けとっておきのTIME！
キミだけの夏、ザワメク新連載第2弾!!
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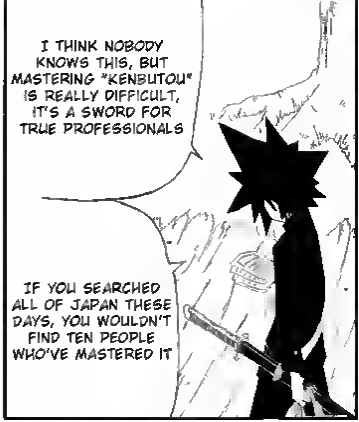
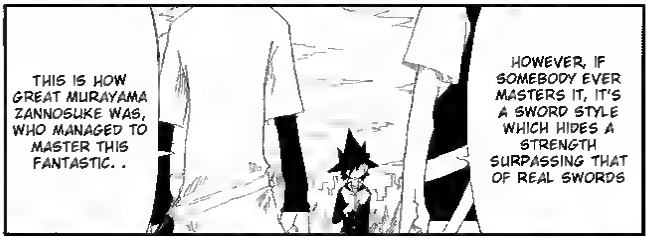
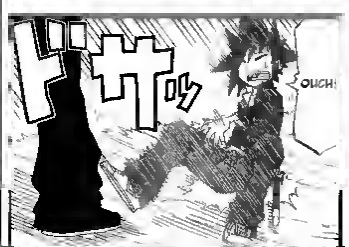

I THINK NOBODY KNOWS THIS, BUT MASTERING "KENBUTOU" IS REALLY DIFFICULT, IT'S A SWORD FOR TRUE PROFESSIONALS
IF YOU SEARCHED ALL OF JAPAN THESE DAYS, YOU WOULDN'T FIND TEN PEOPLE WHO'VE MASTERED IT

MURAYAMA ZANNOSUKE WAS QUITE A MASTER, WITH DOZENS OF VICTORY IN SWORD FIGHTS
HIS MAIN CHARACTERISTIC PROBABLY WAS THAT HE MASTERED "KENBUTOU"*

*KENBUTOU MEANS UNSHARPENED BLADE. IS NOT STANDARD JAPANESE, BUT IT WILL COME BACK A LOT


THIS IS HOW GREAT MURAYAMA ZANNOSUKE WAS, WHO MANAGED TO MASTER THIS FANTASTIC. .
HOWEVER, IF SOMEBODY EVER MASTERS IT, IT'S A SWORD STYLE WHICH HIDES A STRENGTH SURPASSING THAT OF REAL SWORDS



EEEH
...
WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOING, BRAT!!
EXCUSE ME
I'M SORRY, VERY SORRY
STOP THE JOKES, KID!
YOU JUST SMASHED ALL THE BONES IN MY BODY, YOU PUNK!!
WHA
APOLOGIES WON'T BE ENOUGH, ASSHOLE!!
I'LL CUT YOU DOWN.
IF YOU LACK REPSECT..
BAS-TARD!
I...

PFEH
ARE YOU REALLY
HEY, WHAT'S THE MATTER?
AH!
IF YOU'RE A WARRIOR, HOW ABOUT DRAWING THAT THING HANGING FROM YOUR HIP?
BUT I...!
A MAN!!?
EEH!?

WHAT!
WHOH WHOH WHOH WHOH WHOH!
WHOH!
!?

WHOH!!!
HUH!?
HE... HE WASN'T CUT!?
ASS-HOLE...
WHOH WHOH
AGAH GAH
!?

SWORDS WITH A SHARP EDGE ARE EASY TO USE, SO THEY'RE WIDELY USED FROM BEGINNERS TO MASTERS, THE BASIC WEAPON OF WARRIORS
WHY DOES THAT BRAT HAVE A KENBUTOU, EVEN THOUGH HE'S NO MASTER!?
YAAH
IMPOS-SIBLE
KENBUTOU MAY NOT LOOK DIFFERENT TO THE EYE,
BUT SINCE IT'S NOT SHARPENED SO AS NOT TO CUT, THE WEIGHT AND HARDNESS INCREASE A LOT, A SWORD FOR PROFESSIONALS, VERY DIFFICULT TO USE, MADE TO DESTROY RATHER THAN CUT
IT'S WEAKER THAN A USUAL SWORD IF YOU DON'T MASTER IT, LIKE A PIECE OF SCRAP METAL, SO WHY DOES THIS BRAT?
F...
FLEEE!
...
AS IT IS, I...
BUT EVEN IF HE'S NO MASTER, WHAT STRENGTH TO SEND HIM FLYING LIKE THAT!
URK
WHOH WHOH
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I- I THINK I GOT IN-VOLVED ....
WHA- WHAT HAP-PENED?

NO NOBODY .
OH?
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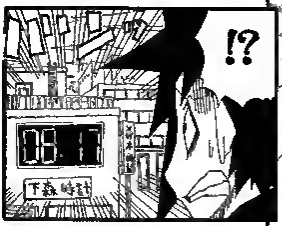
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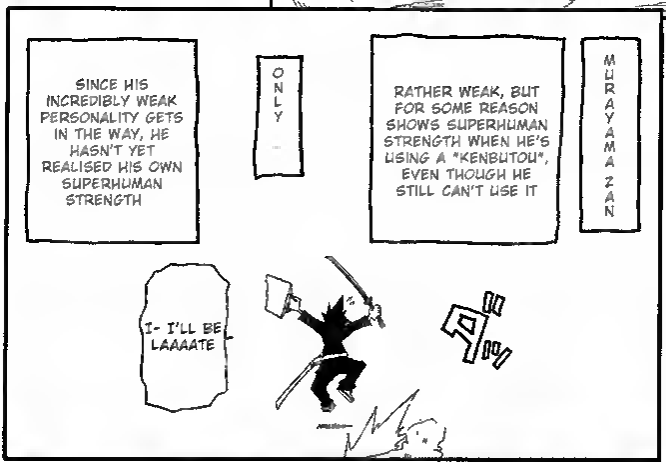
SINCE HIS INCREDIBLY WEAK PERSONALITY GETS IN THE WAY, HE HASN'T YET REALISED HIS OWN SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH
ONLY...
RATHER WEAK, BUT FOR SOME REASON SHOWS SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH WHEN HE'S USING A "KENBUTOU", EVEN THOUGH HE STILL CAN'T USE IT
MURAYAMA ZAN
I- I'LL BE LAAAATE

THERE'S ANOTHER UNIQUE CHARACTERISTIC HE HASN'T YET REALISED HE HAS
AND...

NASHIFUTA HIGH SCHOOL
HEY
YO
MORN-ING
2-C
HELLO
GOOD MORNING
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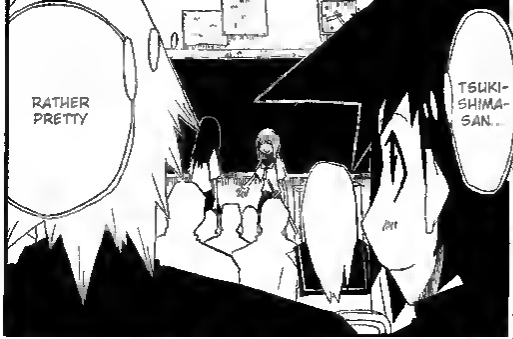
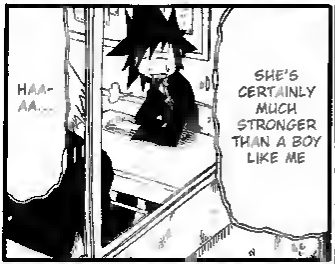
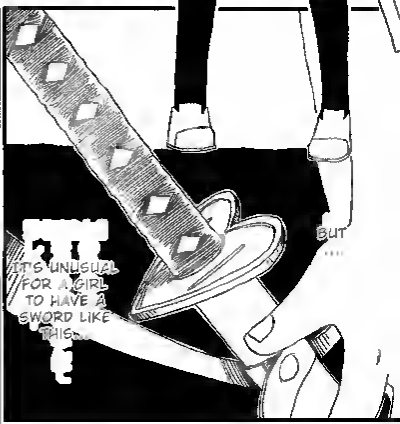
IN THE FIRST WEEK AFTER CHANGING SCHOOLS, IT WOULD GIVE PEOPLE A BAD IMPRESSION OF ME IF I ARRIVED LATE...
MADE IT SOME-HOW
PHEW...


RATHER PRETTY
TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN..

I FEEL IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN SUCH A PRETTY GIRL


HAA-AA...
SHE'S CERTAINLY MUCH STRONGER THAN A BOY LIKE ME


BUT ....
IT'S UNUSUAL FOR A GIRL TO HAVE A SWORD LIKE THIS.

?
AREN'T WE LOOKING AT TSUKI-SHIMA-KUN?

UMM
I THINK SHE'S PRETTY ALL RIGHT, BUT I DON'T LIKE HER LIKE THAT YET...
I- I'M NOT REAL-LY...
HU HU HU HU HUH TSUKI-SHIMA-KUN IS QUITE PRETTY, IT'S NATURAL THAT YOU WOULD FALL FOR HER.
HU HU HU HU HUH
THIS WEIRD GUY IS KINOSHITA SHIZUO-KUN
HE'S THE FIRST ONE WHO TALKED TO ME WHEN I CHANGED TO THIS SCHOOL
HU HU HU HU HU HUH
IF I GET A BIT CLOSER TO HIM
MAYBE I WOULD BE ABLE TO ALSO HAVE A FRIEND.
HEY RUNT
!?!

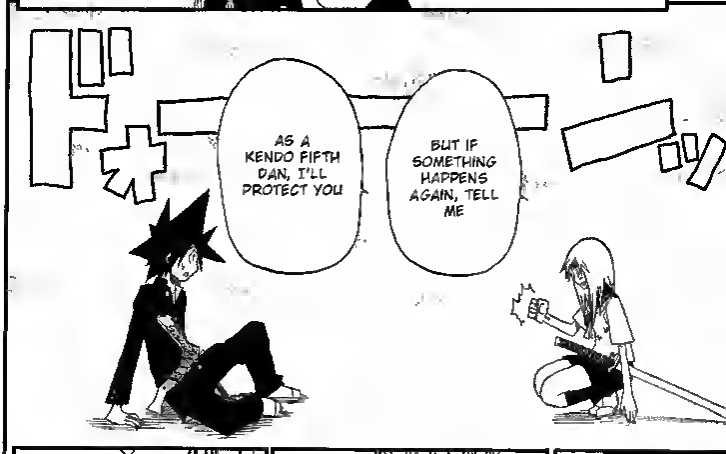
ARE YOU THINKING OF DEFYING ME, USHIO-SAMA!?
GAH!
DIDN'T I TELL YOU NOT TO SHOW YOUR FACE HERE!?
GAH
IN THIS SCHOOL TOO...
WAA-AAAA!
WAAH!
HA!!!
GAH
OUCH...

!?
IT'S A SWORD FIGHT
DRAW
SH-SHIT..
AH, YES!
IF YOU'RE A MAN, STOP WHINING AND DRAW RIGHT AWAY
UH..

STOP IT!!
YOU'RE IN SECOND YEAR, SO STOP DOING SUCH UNMANLY THINGS!
DO YOU ENJOY BULLYING WEAK PEOPLE!?
PFEH
TSU TSU-KISHI-MA-SAN?
WHAT?
USHIO!
HUH
DANG DONG
DING DONG

FOR A GIRL LIKE THAT, IT'S 100 YEARS TO SOON TO OPPOSE A MAN LIKE ME
YOU'LL END UP GETTING HURT
IF YOU KEEP THAT ATTITUDE
HEY, WAIT
REAL-LY..
W- WAIT USHIO!
STOP MAKING FUN OF ME BECAUSE I'M A GIRL!
BUT YOU SHOULDN'T CARRY A KENBUTOU LIKE THAT
EH?
FOR ME, THERE IS NO NEED TO EXAMINE THE BLADE CLOSELY TO KNOW IT
THOU-GHT SO!
AH, YES, BUT
AH
REALLY ...?
HUH?
BY THE WAY, MURAYAMA-KUN, ISN'T THAT A "KENBUTOU"?

YOU COULD BE IN REAL DANGER IN SWORD FIGHTS
IF A HOT-BLOODED GUY LIKE USHIO CAME TO KNOW YOU HAVE A KENBUTOU, HE'D TAKE YOU FOR AN INCREDIBLY STRONG GUY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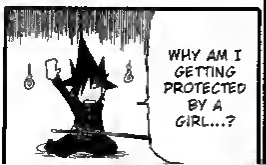
AS A KENDO FIFTH DAN, I'LL PROTECT YOU
BUT IF SOMETHING HAPPENS AGAIN, TELL ME

TSU
TSUKI-SHIMA-SA


WHY AM I GETTING PROTECTED BY A GIRL...?

THE LESSON'S GOING TO START
LET'S GO BACK INTO THE CLASS ROOM

HEH?

MURA-YAMA-KUN...
WAAAH!
KI-KINO-SHITA-KUN...
...
ドキドキ
DON'T TAKE THIS BADLY, BUT YOU'D BETTER GIVE UP ON THAT GIRL...
HEH!?
BUT
I DON'T REALLY...
...
TSUKISHIMA-KUN'S SWORD ABILITY IS SO GREAT THAT THESE BOYS DON'T HOLD A CANDLE TO IT
おおおお
WHAT'S MORE, HER PRETTINESS HAS A FAME AROUND HERE SURPASSING THAT OF TOP IDOLS
AND ALSO, MORE THAN ANYTHING
...

EH?
TSUKISHIMA-KUN ALREADY HAS A BOYFRIEND
TSUKI SHIMA-SAN
HAS A BOYFRIEND

I THINK IT'S SAFER TO WITHDRAW FROM TSUKISHIMA-KUN AND LOOK FOR ANOTHER GIRL
WELL...
ガラー

AH
ER, YES
EH?
MURA-YAMA-KUN?
THE LESSON IS STARTING, LET'S GET BACK IN THE CLASS-ROOM

AFTER SCHOOL ON THE ROOF
HA-AAA
IT'S CERTAINLY NOT SURPRISING THAT TSUKISHIMA-SAN HAS A BOYFRIEND, PRETTY AS SHE IS
I'M NOT SAYING I LIKE HER, BUT I JUST GOT A BIT SHOCKED
OH
IT'S ALL RIGHT TO SAY THIS, BUT
FROM THE START, THERE'S NO WAY A PRETTY GIRL LIKE TSUKISHIMA-SAN WOULD GO OUT WITH AN UNSKILLED UNMANLY BOY LIKE ME. .
SLAM
WHY, WHY HERE?
!?
MAYBE
MAY

THIS GUY IS HER BOYFRIEND!?
NO. NO DOUBT ABOUT IT.
GOING TOGETHER TO THE ROOF AFTER SCHOOL CERTAINLY MEANS THAT..
HUH
SOMEHOW, SEEING HIM FOR REAL IS A TRUE SCHO
GAH
HUH?
HEY HEY
YOU SURE YOU WANNA PLAY CATCH?
WAH HA HA

AWA WAWA WA
DID YOU SEE THAT STRENGTH?
STUPID
WHAT WAS THAT NOISE JUST NOW?
WASN'T IT THE DOOR CLOSING?
SO?
I HAVE SWORD PRACTICE RIGHT NOW, SO IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY, SAY IT NOW
WHAT DOES THE GOOFY-FACED FOLLOWER OF USHIO WANT WITH ME?
GYAA
HE HE HE
USHIO-SAN HAS ASKED ME TO GIVE YOU THIS

HERE IT IS
果たし状
A...
DUEL?
HERE
果たし状
スッ
だっ
THEN
EVERYTHING NECESSARY IS WRITTEN IN IT
HEY WAIT!
SLAM
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YOU'RE SO STUPID
YOU HAVE THAT THING BECAUSE YOU WANT TO BECOME LIKE YOUR DEAD FATHER?
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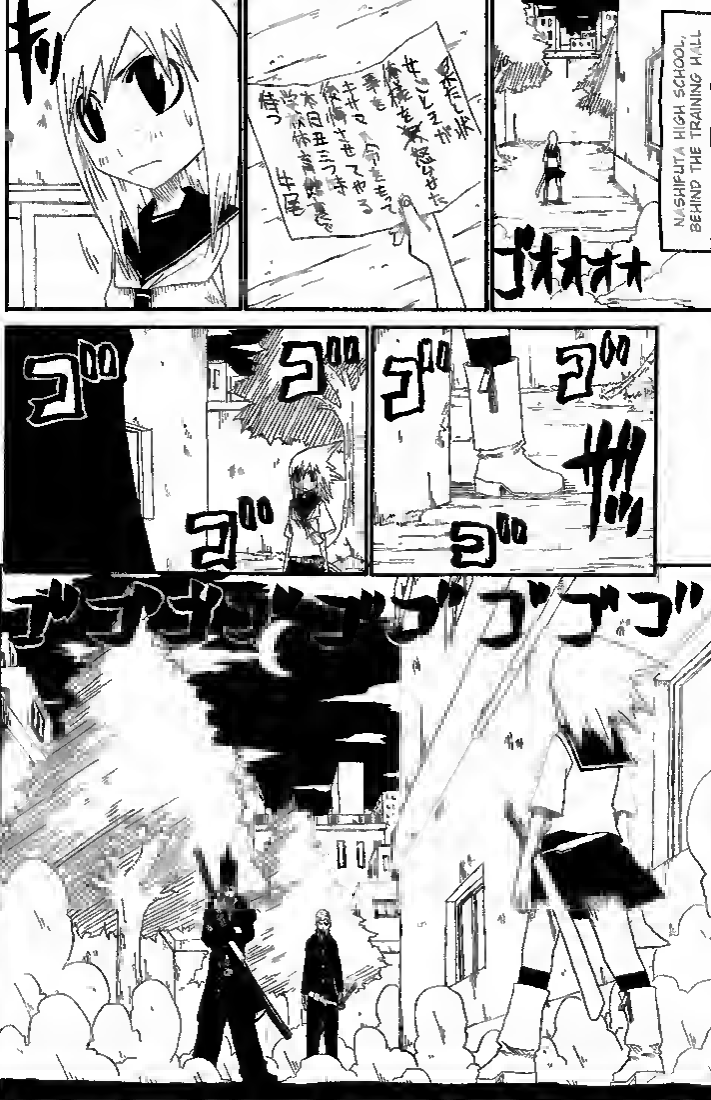
YOU'LL BECOME LIKE YOUR FATHER... TRASH
THERE'S NO WAY A WEAK LITTLE RUNT LIKE YOU WILL MASTER IT
AAAAAAAAAAAAAA!!
IN EXCHANGE I WILL SHOW YOU THE GREATNESS OF A TRUE SWORD
PERHAPS IT'S A WAY TO REMEMBER YOUR FATHER, BUT THROW AWAY THAT SCRAP OF METAL AT ONCE
キン…
ON YOUR BODY!
ツッキッ

!?
OH...
A DREAM...?
WH-WHERE...
THAT'S RIGHT,
I LOST CONSCIOUSNESS LIKE THAT..
SCRAP METAL HUH..?
EVEN HERE I'M ALREADY GETTING BULLIED
I THOUGHT THAT WOULD CHANGE IF I CAME TO THIS SCHOOL.
I'M REALLY MISERABLE...
ON TOP OF THAT, I WAS RESCUED BY A GIRL
SINCE I HAVE NO TALENT AT ALL FOR WITH THE SWORD, I CAN'T USE IT AT ALL
SO SINCE I CARRY IT, IT'S NATURAL TO CALL IT THAT...

I WANT TO BECOME STRONG LIKE MY FATHER!!
...
FATHER ...
I...
I WANT TO BECOME STRONG OF HEART AND BODY...
EVEN IF IT'S NOW CALLED A SCRAP OF METAL, I WANT TO MASTER THIS KENBUTOU AND BE A MASTER LIKE MY FATHER
AND BE A MAN LIKE MY FATHER!!!


NASHIFUJITA HIGH SCHOOL, BEHIND THE TRAINING HALL
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YOU CAME
TSUKI-SHIMA YAYO!
THIS WILL BE A SWORD FIGHT ONE-ON-ONE
MY YOUNGER BROTHER WILL SERVE AS THE WITNESS
...HUH HUH HUH HUH...
BUT EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE A GIRL, YOU CAME, TSUKI-SHIMA-KUN
I THOUGHT YOU WOULD FLEE IN TERROR FOR SURE
DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE GIRLS...

HUH HUH HUH HUH HUH
?
WHAT'S SO FUNNY?
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT FIFTH DAN IN KENDO, BUT AS A BRAT WHO HAS NEVER BEEN IN A REAL FIGHT..
I'LL PROVE IT TO YOU TONIGHT THAT GIRLS ALSO CAN BE CALLED WARRIORS!
I WON'T LET ANYBODY SAY GIRLS ARE WEAK ANYMORE!!!
YOU- YOU CAN'T KNOW THAT UNTIL WE'VE FOUGHT!
THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULD WIN AGAINST ME, WHO HAS UP TILL NOW WON THREE FIGHT WITH MY LIFE AT STAKE!
WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
TSUKISHIMA-SAN'S BOYFRIEND IS USHIO'S BROTHER!?

UGH...
P- PERHAPS THIS IS BECAUSE TSUKISHIMA-SAN RESCUED ME!?
WHA- WHAT DID I DO..?
I'M SO TENSE THAT I CAN'T STOP TREMBLING..
ALL RIGHT
LET'S STOP WITH THE TALKING
AH!
YOU WILL SOON
DI..
EH!?
WHA!?

GNE HE HE HE HE HE HE HE HEE!
GNE HE HE HE HEE
KI-KINO-SHITA-KUN!
SHIT...
WHAT DID YOU DO THAT FOR!?
W-WHAT
N-NO WAY...

USHIO-SAN!
MY LEGS WHY
UGH
USHIO-SAN, HOLD ON!
OKAY
LIKE THIS
WHY
WHY DID YOU DO THAT?
WHAT IS SO SURPRISING?
USHIO-SAN KEEP GOING
UGH
AH!
AH!

KINO-SHITA-KUN!?
I'M YOUR BOYFRIEND, AREN'T I?
I CAN'T LET YOU GET YOURSELF KILLED, CAN I?
MY BOY-FRIEND!?
SO
SO IT WAS THAT...
FIRST OF ALL, I'VE NEVER HAD ONE UP TILL NOW!
SINCE WHEN WERE YOU MY BOYFRIEND!
EH!?
AND THEN, WHAT'S THIS ABOUT INTERFERING IN A DUEL...
!!?
HU HU HU HU YOU'RE ALWAYS LIKE THIS...

I-I'VE NEVER TALKED WITH YOU.
WHA- WHAT'S WITH YOU!?
YOU'RE ALWAYS SAYING THE OPPOSITE OF WHAT I SAY TO MAKE ME MAD.
HAA!?
AH...
WHEN I WOKE UP, IN MY DREAMS, ALL ALONG SINCE JUNIOR HIGH?
UP UNTIL NOW, WEREN'T OUR CONVERSATIONS AGREEABLE?
EH?
HU HU HU HU HU YOU'RE STILL IGNORING MY VICTORY?
AAH
...
...
...
PHEW
...
I'M REALLY ANGRY
THERE MIGHT BE OTHER GUYS ASIDE FROM USHIO WANTING TO KILL YOU
BUT WE CAN'T STAY LIKE THIS

IT SEEMS I NEED TO MAKE ALL OF YOU COMPLETELY MINE.
ACTUALLY, BEFORE ANOTHER GUY KILLS YOU, I'LL KILL YOU MYSELF.
GYAAA HA HA HA HA HA!!!
GYA HA HA HA HA HA HA!!!

NOTE FROM TRANSLATOR: WE KNOW HIS LAUGH IS GAY, JUST LIKE HIM. SO WE LEFT IT THAT WAY

I-I HAVE TO SAVE HER QUICKLY!
B-BUT IF I GO OUT, HOW CAN I SAVE HER, WEAK AS I AM WITH MY KENBUTOU I CAN'T USE AT ALL!?
SH-SHIT, WHAT SHOULD I...
WHA
WHAT SHOULD I DO!!!
...
...GNI HI HI HI HI...
TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN!!
IT'S TIME TO DIE.
...SO,

W-WAIT!!!
MU-
MURA-YAMA-KUN?
I-I WON'T LET THAT HAPPEN!
HAA?
THEN IT MEANS HE IS...
BUT-BUT IF HE GETS ALONE IN SUCH A SITUATION...
BECAUSE MURAYAMA-KUN LOOKED WEAK, I THOUGHT IT WASWEIRD THAT HE HAD A KENJUTSU THOUGH HE HADN'T MASTERED IT...
A KEN-JUTSU?
!?
AND I THOUGHT YOU WERE JUST A RUNT...
EH?
HU HU HU HU I'M SURPRISED.

THAT ABILITY WITH A KENBUITOU THAT MAKES YOU CONFIDENT ENOUGH TO GO AGINST ME!
HU HU HU HU, SHALL WE TEST IT?
I CAME TO SAVE TSUKISHIMA-SAN!
THAT'S RIGHT!
AND IF I DON'T DO IT THEN BOTH OF US...
IT WAS ALL FINE GETTING HERE FULL OF SPIRIT BUT...
I CAN'T REALLY USE A KENBUITOU WELL
....
UGH...
I WILL PROTECT...
MURA-YAMA-KUN?
I WON'T BE PROTECTED ANY MORE...

LIKE A MAN!!!
WHOH WHOH WHOH WHOH WHOH !!!
TAAA!!
UNG!
!?
!?

UNG!
UN!
UGH!!
GWAH!!
...OR NOT
UGH
WHERE IS THAT STRENGTH HIDING IN THAT RUNT BODY?
WHAT AN INCREDIBLE STRENGTH MY HAND IS NUMB
YOU WON'T BE A CHALLENGE TO ME WITH MERELY STRENGTH, HU HU HU HU HU...
YOU HAVE NO SKILLS, YOU CAN'T USE YOUR KENBUTOU AT ALL, A RUNT THAT PRETENDS TO BE ABLE, BUT JUST A STUPID BEGINNER
HA
BUT IT'S FUNNY

COUGH
COUGH
COUGH

I CAN'T FIGHT FOR PAIN...
N-NO MORE

IT HURTS...
HURTS...

!?

IT'S OVER

YAA!!!
I WON'T LET ANYBODY SAY GIRLS ARE WEAK ANY MORE!!
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TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN!?
HE'S DOWN, THAT...

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DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE ME!!!
TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN
AH...
UGH..
どろ
LIKE THIS, YOU'LL BE COM-PLETELY
HU HU HU HU

YOU'RE MINE!!!
I HAVE
TO...
I
IT'S OVER...
...
GO...
IT'S...

UNG!!
URGH!
!?

THIS GUY
HE'S BETTER THAN BEFORE
WHAT'S HAP-PENING?
!!?!
IMPOSSIBLE

STRONG
HE'S
TO BREAK A SWORD
FOR A KENBUTOU
WAS MURAYAMA-KUN THAT STRONG?
UNGH
UGH!

I-I'M
OH?
!?
I...
I LOST...
?
WON.
I-I...
I-I CAN BARELY STAND...
HOW-EVER
THIS GUY STRENGTH IS HIS SWORD ABILITY WHICH DOESN'T USE THE KENBUNSHOKU CHARACTERISTICS
HIGH...

THE BASIS FOR KENBUTOU IS NOT THE SWORD ABILITY, BUT THAT INCREDIBLE STRENGTH THAT CREATES THE "DESTRUCTION"
I-I'VE DONE IT
COULD COULD THIS GUY BE
THE FEAT OF BREAKING A SWORD CAN'T BE DONE BY AN USUAL GUY
JUST AS I THOUGHT
I CAN'T MOVE MY BODY
SHIT...
ドッシャアア
!?

JUST AS I THOUGHT WE COULD BECOME FRIENDS...
!?
HUH?
TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN!!
!?
SHE'S SLEEP-ING...
ZZZ
ZZZ
HUH?
ARE-ARE YOU ALRIGHT TSUKI-SHIMA-SA...

KINOSHITA-KUN DISAPPEARED THE DAY AFTER THE INCIDENT AND DIDN'T COME TO SCHOOL ANYMORE
SINCE WHAT HAPPENED LOOKED BAD FOR TSUKISHIMA-SAN AS WELL AS USHIO-SAN, WE DIDN'T TELL ANYBODY ABOUT IT, IT'S OUR LITTLE SECRET
THREE DAYS AFTERWORDS
THE PATH TO GREATNESS STARTS HERE!!
WHAT ABOUT ME AT THAT TIME...
AND THEN
BOTH OF THEM ARE IN THE HOSPITAL
TSUKISHIMA-SAN AND USHIO'S LIFE ARE NOT IN DANGER
TSUKISHIMA WAS ALL RIGHT, AND I FEEL I CAN USE THE KENBUTOU JUST A LITTLE BIT NOW... AND ALSO
WELL... IN ANY CASE! I WAS REALLY HAPPY
TO BEING A REAL WARRIOR LIKE MY FATHER!
WITH THIS, I FEEL THAT JUST A LITTLE BIT CLOSER
斬
太刀 おわり
次号も連載第2回 大増25Pで登場!!

ZAN CHAPTER 1
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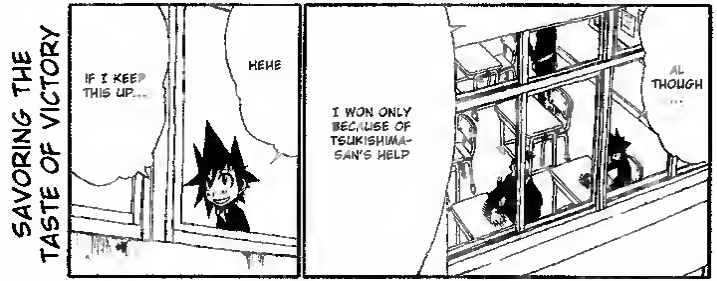


GREAT SWORDSMAN

I GUESS I'M LETTING IT GET TO MY HEAD TOO MUCH...
...HAHA. NAH.
剣豪
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO BECOME A GREAT SWORDSMAN OF THE KENBUTOU, LIKE DAD!
どぉおぉん
ゴゴゴ...
.....

HIS TRANSFORMATION INTO A MAN OF INCREDIBLE STRENGTH

IS A MYSTERY EVEN TO ENJI

# 斬 ZAN

## SWORD 2 - DREAM

杉田 智和 Tomokazu Sugita

AND THEN...
BUT ALTHOUGH I WAS CONSCIOUS, I COULDN'T CONTROL MY BODY.
AND I FELT AN INCREDIBLE STRENGTH FILL ME...
HMM...
WELL I WAS CONSCIOUS AND
SINCE I WAS REALLY INTO THE FIGHT, I MAY HAVE BECOME OVER-ECSTATIC AND GOTTEN THE WRONG IDEA...
.....
I WONDER IF TSUKISHIMA-SAN'S OK...
THE TEACHER SAID SHE'D BE ABLE TO LEAVE THE HOSPITAL IN A COUPLE OF DAYS BECAUSE HER INJURIES WEREN'T DEEP BUT...
I HOPE SHE COMES BACK SOON
MURAYAMA-KUN

TSU-
TSUKISHIMA-SAN!?
MORNING, MURAYAMA-KUN
T-
THAT'S A RELIEF...
.....
YUP!
Y- YOU'RE OK ALREADY?
YOU SEE!
IF YOU HADN'T SAVED ME BACK THEN
I MIGHT HAVE...
MURAYAMA-KUN, I OWE YOU MY LIFE
HUH?

THANKS A LOT FOR SAVING ME
BACK THEN...
.....
I DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE SOMEONE I COULD COUNT ON
YEAH, OF COURSE
. CUZ ACTUALLY
?
BUT I WAS REALLY SURPRISED TO SEE THAT YOU'RE A GREAT SWORDSMAN - YOU CAN WIELD THE KENBUTOU SO WELL
HUH?
M- ME!?
OH YEAH, MURAYAMA-KUN
?

HUH?!
I WANT YOU TO MEET ME BEHIND THE GYM AFTER SCHOOL BUT... WOULD THAT BE POSSIBLE?
TODAY, IF IT ISN'T TOO MUCH TROUBLE...
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B- B- BEHIND THE GYM... COULD THIS MEAN
A- AFTER SCHOOL...
!?
IF YOU COULD JUST FOR A WHILE...
SHE'S GOING TO ASK ME TO DATE HER?!!
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HEY--
THEN I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU BEHIND THE GYM AFTER SCHOOL, OK?
I- I- I'M TOTALLY OK WITH THAT!!
わっ
REAL-LY!?
*TA TA TA TA TA TA* (WALKING)
SO DOES THIS MEAN...
THAT TSUKISHIMA-SAN LIKES ME!?
I- IS THIS A DREAM...?
I- I GUESS IT ISN'T...

WH- WHY ARE YOU GIVING ME THIS?
ISN'T THIS A PRAC-TICE SWORD?
TSU-TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN?
?
AFTER SCHOOL BEHIND THE GYM
I WANT TO ASK YOU FOR A MATCH
I WANT TO FIGHT YOU AND TEST IT...
?
FAR FROM ANY LOVE-TALKS, SHE WANTS TO HAVE A MATCH WITH ME?!
WHAT!?

I WANT TO KNOW HOW I COMPARE TO YOU AS A SWORDSMAN, MURAYAMA-KUN!!
THE ABILITY OF SOMEONE WHO COULD FIGHT LIKE THAT WITH A KENBUTOU...
...AND
KNOCK IT OFF!!!
CAN'T YOU GUYS KEEP IT DOWN OUT THERE!?
GEEZ I CAN'T EVEN HAVE A PEACEFUL NAP AROUND HERE
HN?

.....
TSUBA-NUKI!!
HEH
HEY, WHAT'S THIS?
ドロロ
W-WHO S THIS REALLY SCARY PERSON?
ホーム
A LITTLE GIRL AND BOY PRETENDING TO DO A SWORD FIGHT WITH PRACTICE SWORDS, HUH?
WOW
IF YOU'RE GONNA BOTHER US, GET LOST NOW!!
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WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "PRETENDING"!?
WHA... WHAT WAS THAT?
"YAWN"
OK, OK... I'LL LEAVE YOU GUYS ALONE
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.....

WHAT'S WITH THE SHINKEN!?
HE'S RIGHT - WE SHOULDN'T TAKE THIS EASY JUST BECAUSE IT'S A FRIENDLY MATCH!
TSURANUKI DID HAVE A POINT...
...BUT
!?
A- AND BESIDES LOOK
I STILL HAVEN'T MASTERED THIS SWORD...
U- UMM, I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO USE SHINKEN
I- IF IT'S JUST A FRIENDLY MATCH, I THINK THE PRACTICE SWORDS ARE ENOUGH
WHA-!?
TAKE THIS!!!

UGH!
YA!!!
.....
OUCH
WH- WHAT SHOULD I DO?
I EXPECTED HER TO BE STRONG SINCE SHE HOLDS A SWORD EVEN THOUGH SHE'S A GIRL. BUT THIS...!
EVEN A ROOKIE LIKE ME CAN TELL THAT TSUKISHIMA-SAN'S VERY SKILLED WITH THE SWORD...
AND WHAT'S MORE, SHE'S USING A SHINKEN!
J- JUST ONE HIT AND...

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IF YOU'RE A SWORDSMAN TOO, STOP FOOLING AROUND JUST BECAUSE I'M A GIRL AND FIGHT ME FOR REAL, MURAYAMA-KUN!!
GENDERS DON'T MATTER IN A BATTLE OF SHINKEN!
WHY DID THAT TOUCH YOU!?
HUH!?
IT- IT'S HAPPENING AGAIN...
ドクン...
ドクン...
...UGH... S-STOP...
!?
I-IF WE GO ON LIKE THIS...
TSU-TSU-KISHIMA-SAN'S SERI-OUS...
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SHIT...
.....
!?
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WH- WHY ARE YOU KEEPING QUIET?!
A-ANSWER ME!!

WH-
WHAT'S THIS PRESSURE?!
KU...
.....
I GUESS YOU FINALLY DECIDED TO TAKE ME SERIOUSLY, MURAYAMA-KUN.
... HMPH.
KU...
NOW SHOW ME...
YOUR ABILITY!!!

YAAA!
HA!!
TA!!

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……
ズドーン
…HE
ALL OF MY ATTACKS?
HE EVADED ..
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わな
A- AND I COULDN'T MAKE HIM EVEN RAISE HIS SWORD IN DEFENSE ..
I ..

I CAN'T CONTROL MY BODY!
!!?
N-NO!!
SH-SHIT!

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STOP!!!

IT...
STOPPED...
IT-
I EX-
PECTED
THIS...
THIS
HAPPEN
AGAIN...
I- I'M
SORRY!
OH!
AS I
THOUGHT,
YOU'RE REALLY
STRONG,
MURAYAMA-
KUN.
HUH!?
I'VE GOT TO
ADMIT THAT
YOU TOTALLY
DEFEATED ME
THIS TIME.
!?
B- BUT I'LL
DEFINITELY MAKE
THEM SEE IT
ONE DAY!
T- TO BE DEFEATED BY
SOMEONE SO NEARBY -
LOOKS LIKE I'VE STILL GOT
FAR TO GO BEFORE I CAN
CONVINCE EVERYONE IN JAPAN
THAT EVEN FEMALES CAN
WIELD SWORDS!

WOW ..
BECAUSE THAT'S MY DREAM!
DREAM. .
WHEN WE HAVE OUR NEXT MATCH, I'LL MAKE SURE I WON'T LOSE, OK?
T-THERE'S GONNA BE A NEXT!?
THANKS A LOT FOR SPENDING TIME WITH ME TODAY!
I'VE GOTTA GO BACK QUICKLY AND PRACTICE MY SWORD SKILLS!
WELL, I SHOULDN'T WASTE TIME JUST STANDING!
U-UMM
BYE THEN I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW IN CLASS!

TSU-
TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN...
TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN
IS WORKING HARD TO MAKE HER DREAM COME TRUE...
.....
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I THINK I'LL FOLLOW HER EXAMPLE AND START TRAINING REAL HARD FROM TOMORROW!
I SWORE THAT I'D CHANGE BY COMING TO THIS SCHOOL..
I'M NOT SURE IF I CAN MASTER THE USE OF THIS KENBUTOU AND BECOME A GREAT SWORDSMAN LIKE DAD
...BUT
I'M GONNA WORK HARD STARTING TOMORROW!
...
THAT'S IT!

AAARGH, THIS IS A PAIN IN THE ASS
BUT I'VE GOT TO GET MY ATTENDANCE MARKED SO I'VE GOTTA SHOW UP FOR CLASSES...
THE NEXT DAY
MORNING
HEY!
IS THIS THE APPEARANCE OF A NEW RIVAL?!
AARGH, THERE'S GOTTA BE SOMEONE IN THIS SCHOOL.
WELL, IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT WE'VE GOTTA SIT DURING CLASS, BUT KEEP SITTING AND YOUR BODY WILL WASTE AWAY!
A GUY STRONG ENOUGH TO TAKE ME ON IN A SHINKEN FIGHT!
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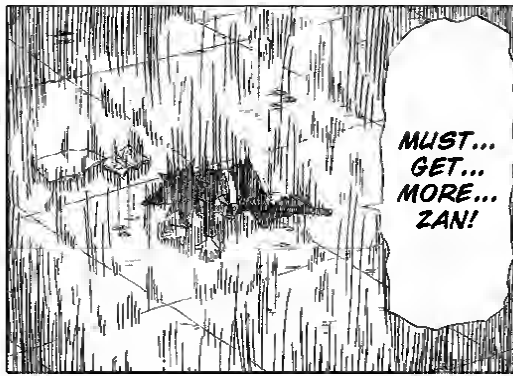

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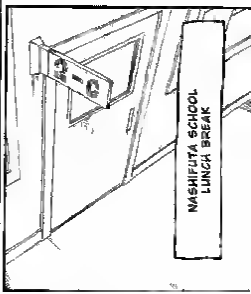
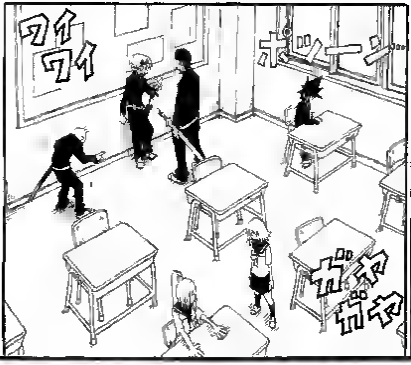
ザン
過ぎ行く月日は
成長の糧!!
貫き通すは
漢の武士道!!
杉田尚
三太刀
貫木刃 参上!!




THE REGULAR ZAN IS LEARNING FENCING NOW!!

FIRST OF ALL I BOUGHT A FENCING BOOK, BUT
BUT IT REALLY IT DOESN'T MENTION HOW TO PRACTICE SWORD SWINGING, AND I DON'T HAVE A CLUE ABOUT IT...



AND I ALMOST DON'T TALK WITH MY CLASS MATES
SINCE I CAME HERE I COULDN'T MAKE ANY FRIENDS BECAUSE I'M SO SHY
FRIENDS HUH?
AND MORE OVER, I CAN'T BECOME TSUKISHIMA'S FRIEND
I CAN'T TALK WITH SUCH A CUTE GIRL JUST LIKE THAT...
HAAAA
BUT I THINK WE'RE MORE LIKE CLASSMATES THAN FRIENDS
AND TSUKISHIMA IS THE ONLY ONE I'VE TALKED TO.
HEY, YOU
!?
!?

MOVE
WHY ARE YOU SITTING IN MY SEAT?
ドーン
THE- THE SCARY PERSON FROM YESTERDAY!
HUH!?
WHAT HAPPENED, WHY ARE YOU QUIET?

WHAA
WHA' WAS THAT!?
H-HMM
WH-WHEN I TRANSFERRED HERE, THE TEACHER TOLD ME TO SIT HERE
O- ONE WEEK?
I JUST DITCHED CLASS FOR A WEEK AND LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENED!
DO I NEED TO STAND IN ORDER TO TAKE PART IN CLASS?!
SO, WHERE WAS MY SEAT MOVED TO!?
I- I- I- I- I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT..
?
?
BU BUT HE MET ME YESTERDAY BY ACCIDENT
HA
IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN YOUR FACE
HUH?
OH RIGHT, YOU SAID YOU'RE A TRANSFER STUDENT

TAKE THIS
!!?
TSU
TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN
I WAS JUST TALKING WITH HIM!
I'M NOT REALLY PICKING A FIGHT!
BECAUSE IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE YOU'VE COME TO CLASS. I GUESSED YOU WERE PICKING A FIGHT, TSURANUKI
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, YOU BITCH!!
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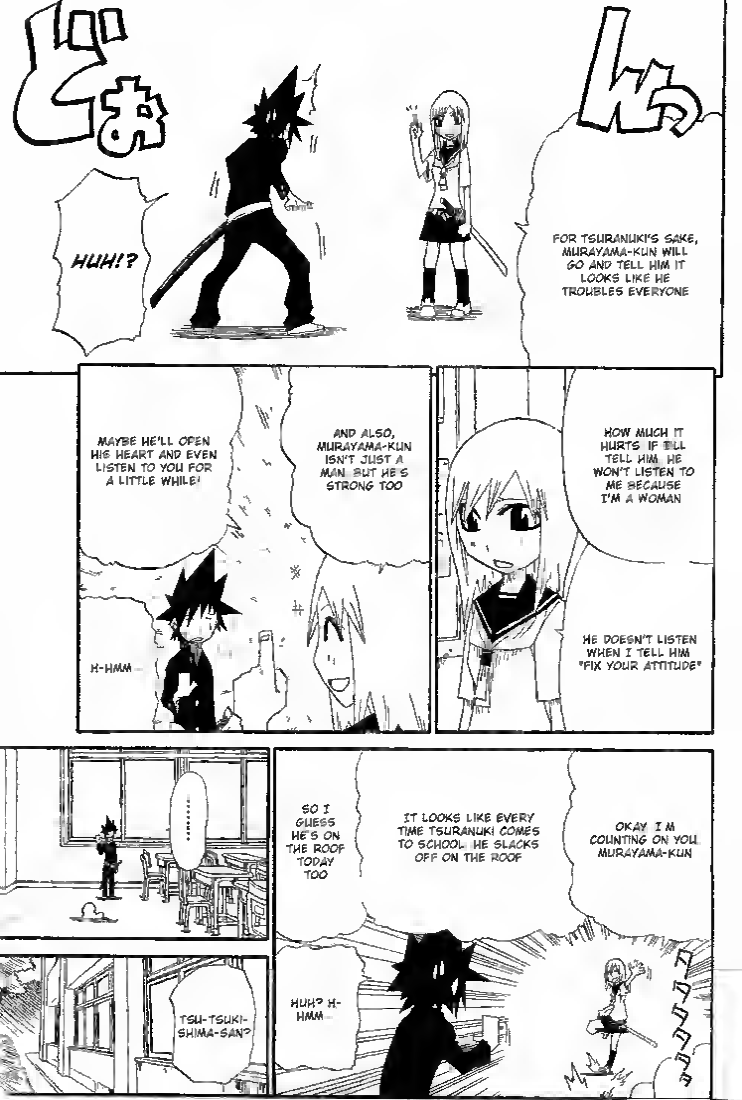
BUT IT'S BETTER FOR YOU TO BE A LITTLE MORE CAREFUL
WHAT!?
SO IT'S FINE
AH — I- I SEE
I WAS HE TRYING TO PICK A FIGHT WITH ME FOR SURE
IS THAT REALLY HOW IT WAS?
CHE
LEAVE ME ALONE!
I KNOW YOUR WAY OF TRYING TO SCARE PEOPLE HOW YOU ACT AND TALK HIGH AND HOW YOUR ATTITUDE IS OVERBEARING
ANYWAY YOU LOOK AT IT, IT LOOKED LIKE YOU WERE PICKING A FIGHT WITH HIM
EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM
!?
THAT TRASH, TSURANUKI WILL COME AGAIN THEY ARE NOT STRICT ENOUGH

HE'LL SURELY BECOME A ROAD SIDE KILLER IN HIS FUTURE
*NOTE FROM TL: ER THE WORD THAT IS USED IS THE ONE FOR A PERSON WHO KILLS PEOPLE IN THE STREETS TO CHECK HIS SWORD'S SHARPNESS
HE'LL PROBABLY CUT THE PERSON THAT CAUGHT HIS EYE INTO LITTLE PIECES
IN THE MOMENT HE CAME INTO CLASS THE ATMOSPHERE WENT BAD. I'LL BE GLAD IF HE KEEPS DITCHING CLASSES AND QUITS SCHOOL
BECAUSE IT'S SO USUAL FOR HIM TO COMMIT CRIMES
ALL ALONE...
THAT TSURANUKI IF HE CONTINUES WITH THAT ATTITUDE, EVERYONE WILL HATE HIM AND HE'LL BE ALL ALONE BEFORE HE NOTICES IT. WHAT ON EARTH IS HE THINKING?
REALLY
I CAN SOMEHOW FEEL IT...
BUT JUST BECAUSE I QUARREL WITH TSURANUKI
IS- IS THAT SO?
IS IT BECAUSE HIS OUTER APPEARANCE IS LIKE THAT OF A BAD ASS
I THINK THAT DEEP INSIDE HE'S NOT A BAD GUY
BUT, JUST FOR SOME REASON
HUH?
I KNOW!


HUH!?
FOR TSURANUKI'S SAKE, MURAYAMA-KUN WILL GO AND TELL HIM IT LOOKS LIKE HE TROUBLES EVERYONE
MAYBE HE'LL OPEN HIS HEART AND EVEN LISTEN TO YOU FOR A LITTLE WHILE!
AND ALSO, MURAYAMA-KUN ISN'T JUST A MAN, BUT HE'S STRONG TOO
H-HMM...
HOW MUCH IT HURTS IF I'LL TELL HIM, HE WON'T LISTEN TO ME BECAUSE I'M A WOMAN
HE DOESN'T LISTEN WHEN I TELL HIM "FIX YOUR ATTITUDE"
.....
SO I GUESS HE'S ON THE ROOF TODAY TOO
IT LOOKS LIKE EVERY TIME TSURANUKI COMES TO SCHOOL HE SLACKS OFF ON THE ROOF
OKAY I'M COUNTING ON YOU MURAYAMA-KUN
TSU-TSUKI-SHIMA-SAN?
HUH? H-HMM...

WORTHLESS
CHE...
THE ROOF
HAAA-AAAA
FUUN
!?
KYAAA!!!
WHAT IS THAT?
WAIT ONEE-CHAN, WHI H!!!!
THERE'S NOBODY STRONG AROUND

NOT UNTIL YOU TELL US YOU'LL PLAY WITH US FOR A WHILE! WHI HI HI HI!!
PLEASE STOP IT!
THOSE GUYS GIVE ME A BAD FEELING, DAMN IT
WHAT'S WITH THAT "WHI HI HI HI HI!!"?
WHI HI HI HI HI HI!!
WE PROMISE NOT TO GIVE YOU A PAINFUL MEMORY, WHI HI HI HI!
!!?
ARE YOU REALLY MEN?
YO!
*TWIST*

DO YOU THINK YOU CAN BEAT US IN A LIFE OR DEATH FIGHT, YOU MORON!?
WHA' IN' YOU!
DOING SOMETHING SO ROTTEN AS VICTIMIZING
WITH SMALL FRY
IF YOU'RE A REAL MAN, YOU'LL RUN AWAY AS QUICKLY AS YOU CAN, MORON!
YOU, YOU BAS-TARD...
LIKE YOU, I DON'T EVEN NEED A SWORD TO BEAT YOU
WE'LL CRUSH YOU TO DEATH!!!

FIRST OF ALL, I'M WEAK, I DON'T KNOW WHY TSUKISHIMA-SAN THINKS I'M STRONG...
FIR...
IT- IT'S GOOD THAT SHE DEPENDS ON ME, BUT WH. T SHOULD I DO?
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ゴクッ...
IT LOOKS LIKE I DON'T HAVE THE SLIGHTEST CHANCE...
IT
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.....
WI- WILL I REALLY BE FINE. .?
AL- ALTHOUGH TSUKISHIMA-SAN SAID SHE THINKS THAT DEEP INSIDE HE'S NOT A BAD GUY
I FEEL LIKE SOMETHING BAD WILL HAPPEN IF I KEEP THE PROMISE TO TSUKISHIMA-SAN
AAHHHHH, WHAT SHALL I DO NOW?
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT...
!?
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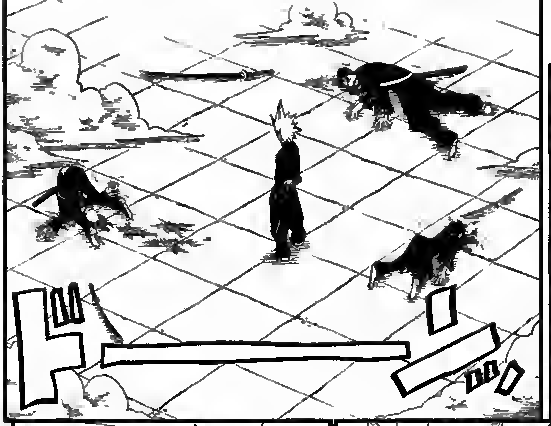
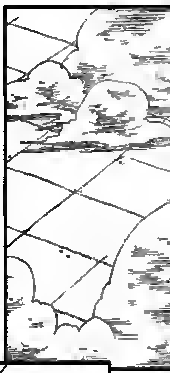
JUST LIKE ME...
HE'S...
TSURANUKI-KUN...
BEING A LONER THAT EVERYONE HATES...
.....
!?
THA-THAT'S RIGHT!!
THERE IS NO PERSON WHO DOESN'T FEEL LONELY WHEN HE'S ALONE. NO MATTER WHO IT IS...
BECAUSE I'M LIKE THAT TOO. I CAN UNDERSTAND IT PRETTY WELL
MAYBE TSURANUKI-KUN REALLY WANTS FRIENDS TOO!
AL-ALRIGHT!
IF I DO IT WELL MAYBE HE'LL BE SO GLAD AND HE'LL OPEN UP HIS HEART
FIRST I NEED TO GATHER COURAGE TO TALK WITH HIM WITH A SMILE!





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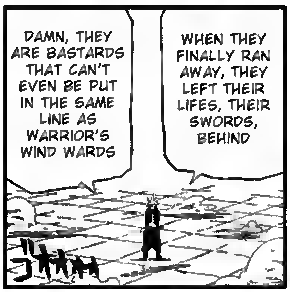
JUST VANISH


DAMN, THEY ARE BASTARDS THAT CAN'T EVEN BE PUT IN THE SAME LINE AS WARRIOR'S WIND WARDS
WHEN THEY FINALLY RAN AWAY, THEY LEFT THEIR LIFES, THEIR SWORDS, BEHIND

HUN...

.....
WE- WE'LL REMEM- BER THIS!!
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... WELL THEN

.....
?
.....
ARE YOU HURT?
HE...
I BEG YOU, DON'T KILL ME!!!
GYAA-AAAAA!!!
BECAUSE I'M SO CUTE, I'M REALLY FAMILIAR WITH THOSE KIND OF CRIMES!
BUT, I'M ASKING FOR FORGIVENESS FROM MY HEART, DON'T DO THAT SCARY FACE AND PLEASE FORGIVE ME!!
OO?!

HUH?
WHA- WHAT IS GOING UP THERE.
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I- I THINK I HEARD A GIRL'S SCREAM FROM THE ROOF...
WHA- WHAT WAS THAT VOICE JUST NOW.
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"GULP"
KENBU-TOU...
ジャキッ
I-I WON WITH IT BEFORE TOO..
IF I COULD SOMEHOW USE IT THE LAST FEW TIMES, MAYBE I CAN USE IT THIS TIME TOO...
FO-FOR SURE...

INTO A REAL WARRIOR!
I DECIDED TO CHANGE
AL- AL- RIGHT...
PEEEE- EEEER
VEEE- EEEEE
!!?

TSURA-NUKI-KUN DID THAT TO A GIRL?!?!
TSU...
HUH
AGA-GA-GA

HUH?
YOU'RE THE TRANSFER STUDENT, RIGHT?
KUKU-KUKU...
HUH!?
DON'T TELL ME YOU WANT TO PLAY WITH ME AND BE MY OPPONENT
I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT SUCH A BODY CAN HAVE ENOUGH STRENGTH, BUT IT'S GOOD TO BE CONFIDENT IN YOUR SKILLS
.....
SUDDENLY APPEARING WITH YOUR SWORD DRAWN
WELL
I CAN PROBABLY KILL YOU IN A SECOND

KILL ME IN SECOND?
KILL...
!?
GUIGLY ZABE ME VY GILLINK HIM!!!
WHA- WHAT SHALL I DO?
TSU- TSURANUKI- KUN IS PROBABLY PRETTY STRONG
I- I REALLY NEED TO RUN AWAY...
IF- IF I RUN NOW, THAT GIRL, BY TSURANAGI- KUN...
...THA- THAT'S RIGHT...
HGYA- AAAA!
SHUT UP OR I'LL REALLY KILL YOU!!
?
AL, LRIGHT...

I'M GONNA GIVE IT A TRY!!!
M...?
HEY, YOU
YOU OWN A REALLY GOOD SWORD, DON'T YOU?
HUH?
FUU
IS IT GONNA BECOME AN SUDDEN FIGHT TO DEATH BECAUSE OF THE MISUNDERSTANDING?!?!
I THINK THAT IF INSTEAD OF WASTING MY TIME, I'LL PLAY WITH YOU, IT'S GONNA TURN OUT FUN AND UNEXPECTED
KENBUTOU-KUN

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*TL'ERS NOTE: IN THIS CHAPTER YOU MIGHT HAVE NOTICED THAT PEOPLE ADDRESS EACH OTHER BY FIRST/LAST NAMES MORE OFTEN THAN "YOU", WHICH IMPLY'S THEY ARE JUST CLASSMATES AND THEREFORE TALK MORE FORMALLY TO EACH OTHER THAN FRIENDS WOULD

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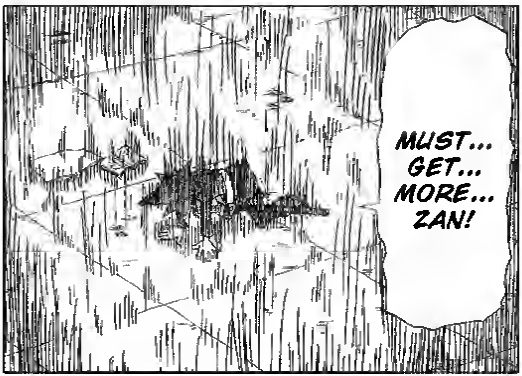

BECAUSE TSURANUKI HAS HARASSED A GIRL (IT JUST LOOKED LIKE IT, ZAN DIDN'T SEE IT) ZAN HAS ENTERED A FIGHT AGAINST HIM!!
ゴクッ…
KUH...
「斬」
THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE SUCH A THING...
DAMN, IN THIS WORLD, YOU CAN'T KNOW SOMETHING FROM IT'S APPEARANCE.
FUU! A KENSUTOU, HUH?
MEANS YOU'RE A SUITABLE MAN OF ABILITY.
HUH?
!?
JUST SHOW IT TO ME.
HMM...
NO, NO, I'M NOT REALLY STRONG...
おろおろ

MURAYAMA ZAN VS TSURANUKI YAIBA

# 斬 ザン

4TH SWORD - TSURANUKI'S POWER

杉田 尚

THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE FIRST CONFRONTATION OF THE TWO PEOPLE WHO SHARE THE SAME FATE IS?!

I'M SURE TSURANUKI-KUN IS REALLY STRONG
WH... WHAT SHALL I DO?
INSTEAD... I FEEL FULL OF CONFIDENCE...
BUT EVEN IF IT IS A BATTLE FOR LIFE OR DEATH, I DON'T FEEL SCARED AT ALL.
BUT!
.....
ALRIGHT!
IF NOT, THAT GIRL WILL...
THAT'S THE ONLY THING I CAN DO...
AGAIN
NH!

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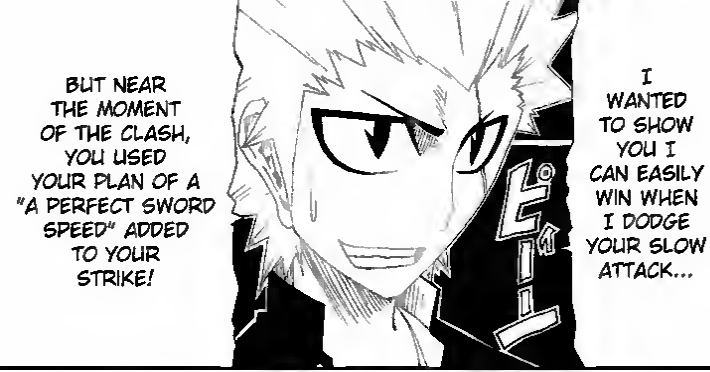
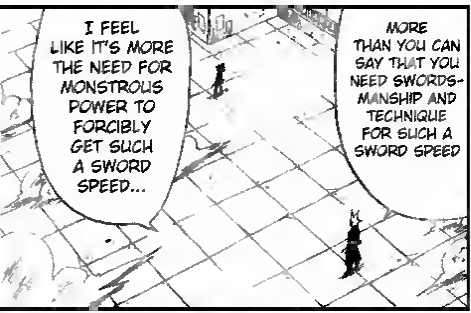
WOOO OOOOOOO OOO!!
HM?
WA AA AA!!!
IT LOOKS LIKE ABOVE HIS SLOW LEGS HE'S GOING IN A STRAIGHT LINE...
HEY, HEY, HEY, WHAT IS THAT?
だだだぁ～
WO OO OO OO OO!
DOES HE THINK I CAN'T DODGE SUCH A STRAIGHT LINED, SLOW FOOTED ATTACK?...
IS, IS IT SOME KIND OF TRICK?

!!?
WAAA!!
NH!!
HAAAA!
WHA-
GYAAA, YOU ARE LIFTING MY SKIRT WITH THE WIND, YOU PEVERT!!

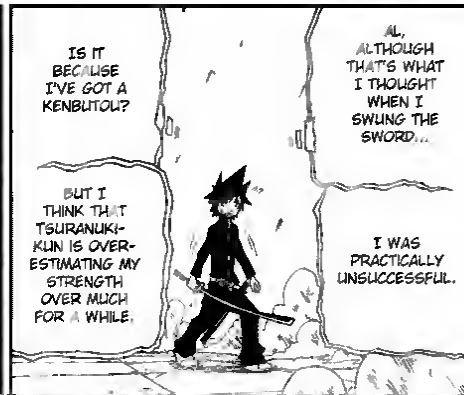
!?
!?
...HEH
HE GOT AWAY...
DA, DAMN.
NO, IT'S SLOWER...
.....
YOUR RUNNING SPEED WHILE HOLDING A SWORD IS AVERAGE...
BUT YOU SILENCED ME COMPLETELY
!
KUH KUH KUH KUH ...
THAT'S OBVIOUS... I WAS ALWAYS LAST ON THE RUNNING TOURNAMENTS, MY SLOWNESS IS GUARANTEED...


I WANTED TO SHOW YOU I CAN EASILY WIN WHEN I DODGE YOUR SLOW ATTACK...
BUT NEAR THE MOMENT OF THE CLASH, YOU USED YOUR PLAN OF A "A PERFECT SWORD SPEED" ADDED TO YOUR STRIKE!


I FEEL LIKE IT'S MORE THE NEED FOR MONSTROUS POWER TO FORCIBLY GET SUCH A SWORD SPEED...
MORE THAN YOU CAN SAY THAT YOU NEED SWORDSMANSHIP AND TECHNIQUE FOR SUCH A SWORD SPEED

PLA, PLAN? WHA, WHAT IS HE TALKING ABOUT, THAT PERSON...

BUT IT WAS A RISKY PLACE
GEEZ.
HUH?


IS IT BECAUSE I'VE GOT A KENBUTOU?
BUT I THINK THAT TSURANUKI-KUN IS OVER-ESTIMATING MY STRENGTH OVER MUCH FOR A WHILE.
AL, ALTHOUGH THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT WHEN I SWUNG THE SWORD...
I WAS PRACTICALLY UNSUCCESSFUL.

A NORMAL SWORD WOULD SNAP IN THE CONCRETE...
!
AND FOR IT TO CAUSE A CRACK IN THE CONCRETE...
IT WAS A PLACE THAT COULD MAKE ME RECEIVE A HIT WITH NO DIFFICULTY.
IN THE WORST CASE, THE SWORD'S EDGE WOULD BREAK.
SFX: PACK
...TH, THE KENBUTOU IS REALLY GREAT...
THAT KENBUTOU WOULDN'T MAKE JUST A WOUND IF IT WOULD HIT IN THE SAME PLACE AS THAT CRACK.
IT'S PROBABLY A FEAT THAT CAN ONLY BE USED WITH THIS BASTARD'S ABSURD STRENGTH AND THE KENBUTOU TOGETHER...
WELL... IT'S REALLY DIFFICULT TO MAKE SUCH A CRACK THERE, EVEN WITH USING A KENBUTOU.
THAT THING REALLY IS FULL OF HARDNESS AND EXPLOSIVE POWER.
!
...FUU.

ISN'T IT JUST BECOMING MORE AND MORE INTERESTING?!
HERE I COME!
T, TO SAY THAT A LIFE AND DEATH MATCH IS INTEREST-ING, THAT PERSON
HUH ...
HE, HE DISAP-PEARED?!
!!?

!?!
HE'S FAST!!
GUH!
URAA!!!

YOU COL-LAPSED!
GAH!
GUH...
HE, HE'S JUST TOO FAST.
I'VE NEVER SEEN SOMEONE WITH SUCH SPEED.
!?
BAS-TARD

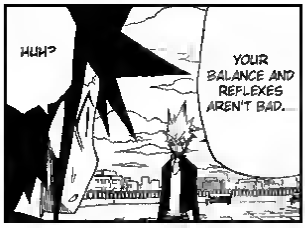
IT'S JUST BECAUSE I THOUGHT IT WOULD HURT IF I FELL...
NO, NO...

I SEE, THAT STANCE CAN LET YOU KEEP YOUR BALANCE WHILE FALLING, SO YOU RECOVERED FAST..
HUH?

I THINK IT'LL BE BAD FOR ME IF THE NEXT ONE WILL BE IN THE SAME SPEE—
AL, ALTHOUGH I WAS ABLE TO DEFEND THE LAST BLOW WITH A LUCKY COINCIDENCE

THA, THAT PERSON HAS REALLY FAST LEGS
'NYWAYS

ALRIGHT!


HUH?
YOUR BALANCE AND REFLEXES AREN'T BAD.

A greater speed?!
キラー
I'M GONNA COME WITH GREATER SPEED!
WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF HE'LL BECOMES FASTER????
IS HE WAS THAT FAST BEFORE
どよ
どよ
HA!
HMMMM, HMMMMMM, H—
IT, IT, IT, IT, IT'S GONNA BE BAD AT THIS RATE!
あたふた
AL, ALRIGHT!
IF I'LL BE ABLE TO USE WHAT I JUST READ IN THE BOOK, SO SOMEHOW, I MIGHT DO IT!
THA, THAT'S RIGHT!
!?
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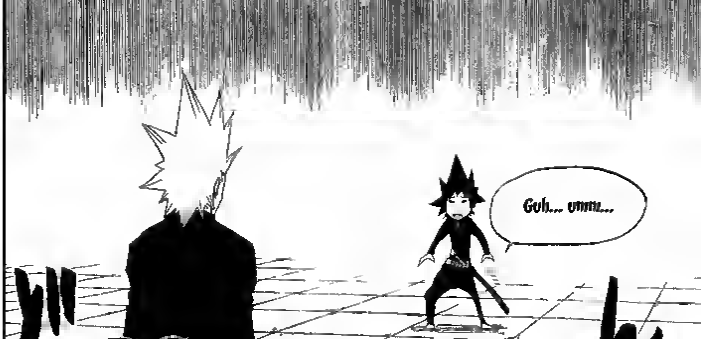
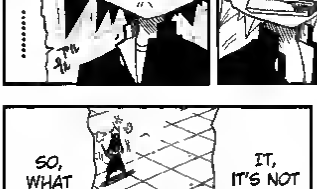

Guh... umm...
SFX: SHAKING

HAA ?!


SO, WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT?
IT, IT'S NOT LIKE THAT.

YOU ARE NOT THINKING ABOUT GIVING IN THIS LATE AND RUN AWAY, RIGHT?!
YOU, WHAT IS THIS ALL ABOUT?!

FOR SURE, IF I DO THAT AND THAT...
KU..
H, HMM..

HII...

WA, WAS IT... LIKE THAT?
I, I'M SURE THAT THIS POSTURE WAS IN THE BOOK...
.....
I, IAINUKI...
....IS IT?
BU, BUT...
ALTHOUGH IT'S GOOD TO USE THAT POSTURE...

AND I REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW TO USE IT...
AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS POSTURE'S PURPOSE.
どーん
BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO AFTER THAT...
CAN I REALLY BE FINE LIKE THIS?
WHA, WHAT SHALL I DO?
SO THAT CAME...
I SEE...
.....
HUH?
どーーーん
SO, YOU'RE REALLY NOT A NORMAL PERSON, ARE YOU?
FUUN

FL, FLASH?
WHA, WHAT IS THAT...?
THE BASIS OF IAINUKI IS TO STAND IN THAT STANCE AND ANYONE WHO ENTERS YOUR ATTACK RANGE IS CUT IN A FLASH.
ATTACK RANGE
YOU CAN'T MOVE BECAUSE YOU NEED TO COVER YOURSELF BECAUSE OF YOUR SLOW-LEGS, IF YOU HAD FAST LEGS, YOU COULD FORGET IT.
BUT THIS BATTLE IS ABOUT USING OUR ARM POWER TO THE MAXIMUM, ME WITH MY LEGS, AND YOU WITH YOUR PERFECT SWORD SPEED.
I REALLY HAVE A TRUST IN MY MOVMENT...
BUT I CAN'T JUST COME ATTACKING YOU CARELESSLY NOW.
WHA, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? IT'S HARD SO I DON'T UNDER-STAND
MAY, MAYBE I WAS SUCCESSFUL?
FUUN..
NO SHAME.
?

IF YOU'RE GOING TO ACT LIKE THAT, I'M GONNA CHANGE MY ATTACK WAY TOO!

SHU
SHURIKEN?!?!

WH, WH, WH, WH, WH, WHY DO YOU HAVE SUCH THINGS?!
I'M GONNA ATTACK WITH LONG RANGE.
IF YOU CAN BARELY JUMP...

... FUUIN.
I... I'VE NEVER HEARD OF PEOPLE THAT HOLD SHURIKENS SO CASUALLY.

WAS TSURANUKI'S IDENTITY REVEALED?! WHAT'S THAT ABOUT A "SHINOBI"?!?!


NO, NO WAY!
IF YOU THINK THAT A LIFE OR DEATH FIGHT IS ALL ABOUT SWORDS AND SPEARS, YOU ARE GREATLY MISTAKEN!
!
FIRST...
WHAT IS SO WEIRD ABOUT A SHINOBI THAT USES SHURIKEN?
SHI, SHI, SHI, SHINOBI?!
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SU, SU, SU, SU, SUCH PEOPLE ARE REAL?! ?!
SHINOBI?
SHI...
HEY...
WHAT'S WITH THAT REACTION, YOU ACT LIKE YOU'RE LOOKING AT AN ALIEN
BU, BUT, ALTHOUGH I DID SEE IT IN BOOKS...
FOR IT TO REALLY BE REAL!
THERE ARE SHINOBIS LIVING IN OUR DAYS...!!!
HUH...
WELL, YOU BEING SURPRISED IS NOT UNREASONABLE, HUH?
...
IT SEEMS LIKE IN OLD TIMES THERE WERE MANY SHINOBIS, BUT...
NOW, NOT MANY OF THEIR DESCENDANTS ARE LEFT...
SUP
...ALRIGHT!
「斬」ザン

Warrior VS Shinobi!! You'll become intoxicated by this breathless fight to death!!

The unimaginable powers of the shinobi are now, correctly attacking za!!!

# 斬 ザン

五太刀 忍武士

Stroke 5, Shinobi Warrior

杉田尚 すぎたなおや

THAT WHY HE'S SO AGILE...
I, I SEE...
I JUST RECALLED HEARING THAT A SHINOBI'S BODY ABILITIES SUPPRESS THOSE OF A NORMAL
SHI, SHINOBI ...
...
?!
HEY HEY!
YOU'RE IDLING!
I WONDER IF A SHINOBI CAN GET TO THE TOP OF THE ROOF WITH ONE JUMP...
BUT, BUT HOW IS IT EXPRESSED IN REAL LIFE?
HUH?!
YOU'RE JUST FUCKING WITH ME!!

BAH!
WHAA AAAAA !!
UGH!!
KUH ...
...
GAHGAH!
HUH..
GZ.. UHH. ..
UGH ...
?!
IF SO...

HOW'S THAT?!? !
SA, SA, SA, SA, SA, MANY...
I CAN'T DODGE!!
?!
WHAAA AAAAA AAAAA !!!

WHAAA AAAAAA AA!!
.....
WHA!?
カラン
カラン
WHA, WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED?!
I, I WAS NOT HIT!
.....
どぉ
ん
WHAT THE..
AH!
ゴゴゴ...

I, I HAVE ...
WI, WITH MY SWORD?
HUH?!
DID YOU JUST DEFEND IT ALL WITH YOUR SWORD?
IM... IMPOS-SIBLE..
I GUESS I'VE NO CHOICE ...
SO YOU'RE REALLY A MALE WARRIOR WHO CAN GET THAT FAR...
CHE ...
?!
BAKIN*
HUH?!
HE, HE HAS... SHEATHED HIS SWORD?
*SIX

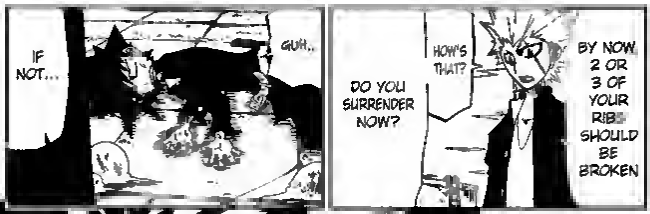
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE MET A PERSON WHO CAN MAKE ME SERIOUS
SE, SERIOUS?
HUH?
WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT YOU HAVE TO PUT YOUR SWORD BACK TO BECOME SERIOUS...?
BU, BUT WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
ON THE OTHER HAND, YOU NEED A LOT OF TIME IN THE WORLD OF INACCURACY TO GET TO THAT FULL SPEED.
HUH?
IF YOU USE A SWORD YOU CAN'T USE THE FULL SPEED OF THE STRIKE...
FUU...

FI, FIST?
BUT IF YOU USE YOUR FIST, YOU DON'T HAVE THE WEIGHT OF THE SWORD, AND YOU CAN GET THE FULL SPEED WITH JUST ONE ATTACK!
ALTHOUGH THE REACH BECOMES SHORT AND THE POWER FALLS...
MY AIM IS SPEED.
NO MATTER HOW FAST YOUR BLOW IS WITH IAI*
YOU CAN'T WIN AGAINST THE SPEED OF MY FIST...
IAI: TO RELEASE/DRAW YOUR SWORD FROM THE SHEATH; MORE DETAILS LAST CHAPTER
?!
ATTACK IS THE ULTIMATE DEFENSE!!
SENTEHSSHOU*!
* A SAYING MEANING THE FIRST TO ATTACK IS THE WINNER

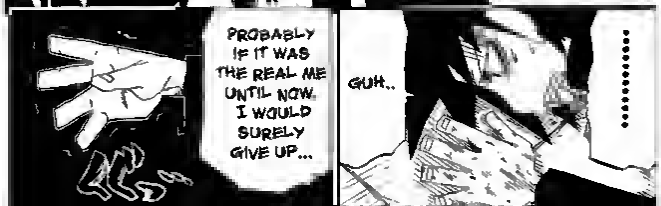
TAKE THIS!!!
GAH!!!
YOU'VE BEEN FULLY DESTROYED!!
AGHGH...
I CAN'T HANDLE...
SUCH SPEED..
IT'S FUTILE...

AND HERE I AM AGAIN!!
GOH!
GAH!
BEHIND!
GUHGAH!
AND TAKE THIS TOO!!!

GEHO..
GEHO...
GEHO.


IF NOT...
GUH..
DO YOU SURRENDER NOW?
HOW'S THAT?
BY NOW, 2 OR 3 OF YOUR RIBS SHOULD BE BROKEN

YOU'LL DIE.


PROBABLY IF IT WAS THE REAL ME UNTIL NOW, I WOULD SURELY GIVE UP...
GUH..
.....

I'LL DEFINATELY SAVE THAT GIRL
BUT NOW I'M DIFFERENT!!
I'VE DECIDED TO CHANGE FOR SURE!
TO BECOME MORE MAN'-Y!!
WHA, WHAT IS THAT THIRST FOR BLOOD?...
!?

HIS ATMOSPHERE CHANGED AS THOUGH HE'S BECOME A DIFFERENT PERSON!!!
DAMN!!
WHAT JUST HAPPENED?!
HE, HEY!
WHA, WHAT, WHAT IS THAT? I HAVE A BAD FEELING..

DAMN IT...

!?
CRUNCH
IT'S NOT THAT HE SNAPPED, HE ACTUALLY COUNTERED IT?!
WHA, WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED TO HIM?
THE LIMIT TO THE SWORDSMANSHIP HE HAS SHOWN HAS NOT CHANGED...
KUH...
MY, MY LEG IS IN BAD CONDITION...
WITH THIS I WONT BE ABLE TO MOVE WELL...
SFX: ZUU
BUT HIS RESPONSE POWER AND SWORD SPEED HAD INCREASED!
!?

TAKE THIS!!!
NIH!
SLIP
I BARELY GOT AWAY IN THE LAST SECOND.
THA, THAT WAS DANGEROUS!
!?

TSURANUKI IS ATTACKING FROM THE SKY!! AND IN SUCH A TIME, THE WEAK ZAN IS BACK...!!!

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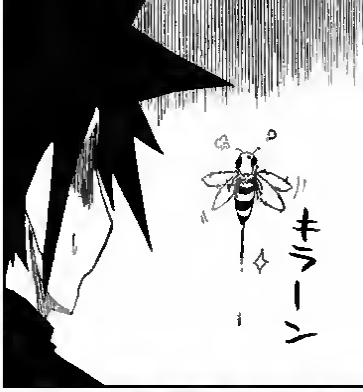
AS ZAN GETS BACK TO HIS USUAL SELF, THE ASSASSIN'S DAGGER DRAWS NEAR!!!
THAT WAS DANGEROUS
.....
FINALLY MY BODY ACTS AS I WANT AGAIN..
?
PLOP
SFX: LAND
HOH...
ZZZ ZZZ ZZ
HI?!?!

TAKE THIS!!!
ZAN HAS UNBELIEVABLY AVOIDED THE CRISIS THANKS TO A BUG?!?!
WHAA !!!
斬
6TH STRIKE - A WIN? A LOSE?

WHA
WHAA!
...
WHA, WHAT HAPPENED ?
I CAN'T FEEL THE BLOOD THIRST AT ALL NOW AND THE SWORD'S POWER HAS DECREASED
WHE, WHEN TSURANUKI-KUN CAME TO ATTACK...
IF THAT BUG HADN'T LANDED ON MY FACE, THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN DANGEROUS
BU, BUT WHAT SHALL I DO?
ALTHOUGH I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE PURPOSE OF IT ANYMORE...
THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS IS REALLY BAD...
!?

!?
WHA AAA AAA !!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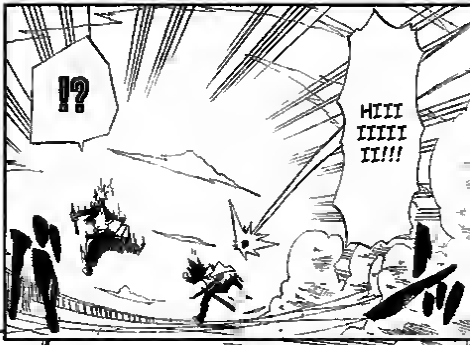
DO, DON'T COME NEAR ME!!

WHAT?!


!?
HIII IIIII II!!!

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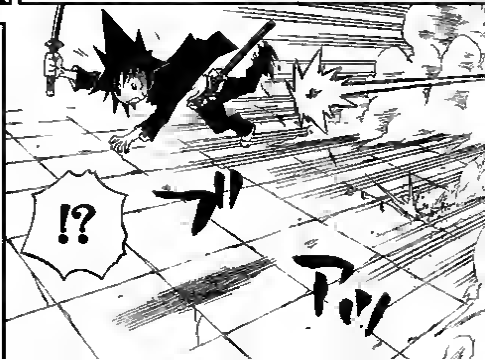
NO WAY!!!


!?

GI!!
HAAAAAAA!!!
GNNNNNN!
HU...
WAAAAAA!!!

DAAAA
AAAAAA
!!!
DAMN!
OUCH!
IT'S A 4-FLOOR BUILDING!

I, I WAS SAVED...
WITH THIS, THE FIGHT WITH TSURANUKI-KUN CAN FINALLY
!?
AH
HM?!
TSU, TSURANUKI-KUN IS GONE?!?!
HM?
I'M SURE I SLIPPED ON THE FLOOR TILES WHILE RUNNING FROM THE BUG, AND...
I, I WAS IGNORING HIM IN THE END, SO I DIDN'T REALIZE

TSU, TSURANUKI-KUN?!
I LET MY GUARD DOWN
HAH.
HAH.
DA, DAMN
I COULD HAVE FINISHED IT INSTEAD OF FALLING
AND NOW MY WHOLE BODY RESTS ON THE POWER OF MY LEFT HAND
WHY, WHY IS TSURANUKI-KUN HANGING IN SUCH A PLACE

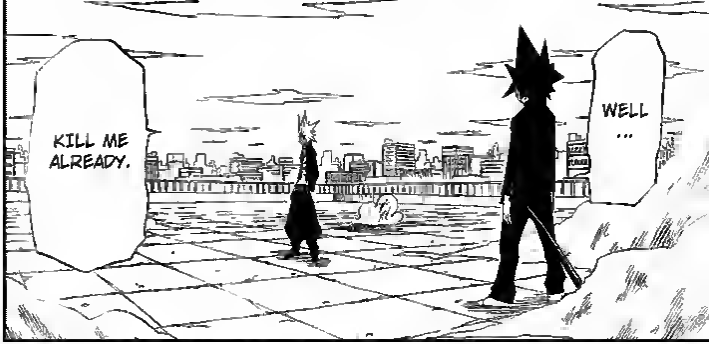
?!
KILL ME.
MY, MY WIN?
HUH
IT'S YOUR WIN.
YOU CAN UNDERSTAND BY SEEING.
BECAUSE I LOST, I WANT THE DISTINCTION TO BE MADE.
THIS IS A MANLY MATCH TO DEATH BETWEEN MEN.
KUH!
QUICKLY KILL ME.

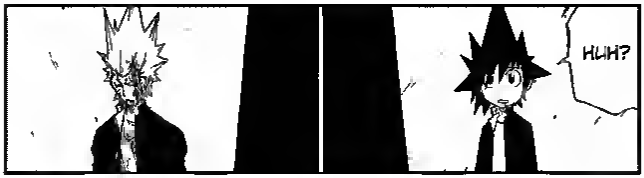
!!?
DAAH!
OUCH!!
WHAAA !!
UGH...

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
WHAT..
YOU SHOULD HAVE ENDED IT BY RELEASING THE HOOK!!
WHY HAVE YOU PULLED ME UP?!
...WHY?
?
SO QUICKLY BOIL ME OR BAKE ME OR WHATEVER YOU LIKE!
SO QUICKLY!

WHY DID YOU ATTACK THE GIRL?!
ばん
HA?
AND I THOUGHT YOU'RE A GOOD PERSON DEEP INSIDE!
BU, BUT WASN'T YOUR SWORD DRAWN AT THE GIRL?!
WHO'D DO SUCH AN UNMANLY THING?!
HUH?
ARE YOU STUPID ?!
I SAVED THAT GIRL FROM THE OTHER GUYS!
?!
IT'S JUST LIKE HE SAID!!

NOW THAT I TRY THINKING ABOUT IT, THIS GUY CAME TO SAVE ME WHEN THOSE OTHER GUYS CAME TO ATTACK ME!!
HUH?
BU, BUT HIS FACE IS SO SCARY..
HEY, I'LL KILL YOU !!!
HI, HIII IIIII IIIII !!!
.....
HUH ...
.....
SO TSURANUKI-KUN WAS REALLY A NICE PERSON IN THE END..
... WELL, IT'S FINE.
?


KILL ME ALREADY.
WELL ...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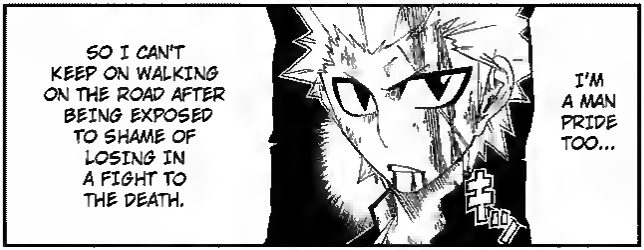
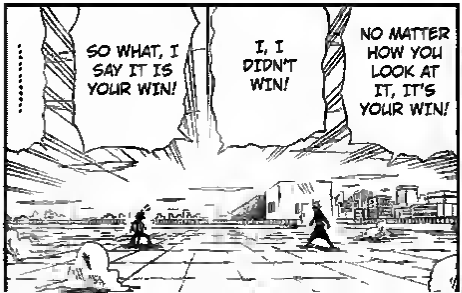

SO I CAN'T KEEP ON WALKING ON THE ROAD AFTER BEING EXPOSED TO SHAME OF LOSING IN A FIGHT TO THE DEATH.
I'M A MAN PRIDE TOO...


SO WHAT, I SAY IT IS YOUR WIN!
I, I DIDN'T WIN!
NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT, IT'S YOUR WIN!

WHAT ?!
BU, BUT I DIDN'T WIN...

NO MATTER WHAT THE REASON WAS BEHIND THE MATCH...
?
... BU, BUT...
IF IT ENDS WITHOUT YOU DYING, ISN'T IT OKAY NOT TO DIE?!
WHAT?
.....
I WAS ALWAYS ALL ALONE...
IF A GOOD PERSON LIKE YOU WAS TO DIE...
MAYBE ...
.....
EVERY PLACE I GO, I'M ALWAYS BULLIED AND SO I'M ALL ALONE
EVEN WHEN I WAS YOUNG, EVEN AT MY PREVIOUS SCHOOL AND EVEN HERE

I WON'T BE ABLE TO GET MY FIRST FRIEND.
WHA
?!
THIS POSSIBILITY CAN'T DISAPPEAR ...
SU, SUCH A HALF-HEARTED THOUGHT...
DO, DON'T MESS WITH ME!
CHE
ゴオオオオ
I... I NEVER HEARD ...
?!
AH, I ALREADY UNDER-STAND!!
OF SOME THING LIKE THIS

IF THAT'S WHAT YOU, WHO WON, WANT, I'LL OBEY!!
I'VE LOST TO YOU!

I, I, I, I, I'LL BECOME A FRIEND OR WHATEVER!!
IF, IF YOU WANT FRIENDS SO MUCH...

...

IT'S BECAUSE YOU WON AND SAID YOU WANTED FRIENDS, AND WITH THAT, BENT MY MAN'S PRIDE, SO... SO, SO, SO, SO I'LL BECOME YOUR FRIEND!
Pt Pt
DO... DO, DO, DON'T TAKE IT THE WRONG WAY!

HUH

DA, DAMN...

THANK YOU, TSURANUKI-KUN.
THANK YOU.
...
ニコッ
HUH?
I HAVEN'T HEARD YOUR NAME YET
THA, THAT'S RIGHT.
HUH?
AND YOURS?
HM, HMMM
MY NAME IS TSURANUKI YAIBA!

A FRIENDSHIP IS BORN FROM THE END OF THE FIGHT!!

バァ
MY, MY NAME IS MURAYAMA AZAN!
... ZAN, HUH?
AL-RIGHT, ZAN!
SORRY IT'S SO SUDDEN, BUT CAN YOU LISTEN TO MY ONE REQUEST?
HUH?
IT'S EMBARRASSING LIVING AFTER LOSING IN A FIGHT TO THE DEATH, SO I DON'T WANT OTHER PEOPLE TO KNOW.
CAN YOU BE QUIET ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED HERE?
HUH?
BUT I DIDN'T WIN...
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU'LL SAY IT, YOU'VE WON!
BU, BUT I DIDN'T WIN!
I SAID IT'S YOUR WIN!
HI?!
HE, HE SURE IS SCARY!!

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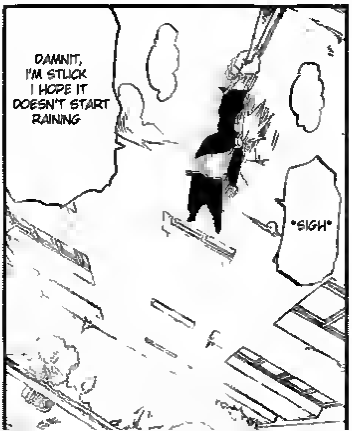

IT'S A CHANCE TO SPEND LUNCH BREAK WITH THE FIRST FRIEND!! BUT THAT PERSON IS TSURANUKI... HOW WILL IT TURN OUT?!


X=8
Y=?
OKAY, THAT IS ALL FOR TODAY
BUT, WE JUST BECAME FRIENDS, SO IT'LL PROBABLY BE WEIRD .
WHA- WHAT SHALL I DO? SHOULD I INVITE HIM TO LUNCH?...
2-C
X=6
Y=?
I- I'M GLAD, IT WASN'T WEIRD AT ALL
O-OKAY!
ALRIGHT! LET'S GO EAT OUR MEALS, ZAN!
AL-RIGHT!
LET'S GO TO THE ROOF!
ALTHOUGH I DON'T KNOW HOW HE DID IT, BUT FOR HIM TO REALLY BECOME SUCH A GOOD FRIEND WITH TSURANUKI SO MUCH SO HE CAN EVEN GO EAT LUNCH TOGETHER IS...
MURAYAMA-KUN IS REALLY AMAZING...
.....

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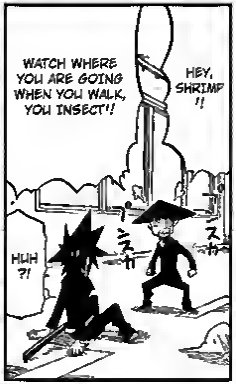
FLIP
WHAT'S THAT...?
HM?
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I WONT BE EATING LUNCH ALONE.
TAT ATAT ATA...
HUH?
O-OKAY
I'M GOING TO THE BATHROOM, SO GO AHEAD OF ME.
スッ……
FOR SOME REASON, I'M REALLY HAPPY
ガーン

AH!
OUCH!

YOU THINK YOU CAN SETTLE THIS MATTER WITH ME BY SAYING SORRY? MORON!!
SO- SORRY ...


WATCH WHERE YOU ARE GOING WHEN YOU WALK, YOU INSECT!!
HEY, SHRIMP !!
HUH ?!

OCH CHC HCH ...

HH HHH HHO ...

SHG HSH SHS

!?
HEY, YOU!

IF YOU MAKE FUN OF ME, MY BODY-GUARDS WON'T KEEP IT QUITE!
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WHAAA! A LOT OF SOMEWHAT SCARY PEOPLE APPEARED!
YOU PROBABLY DON'T WANT TO DIE SHRIMP!
SO QUICKLY KNEEL DOWN AND KISS MY SHOES!!
HI?!
ARE-AREN'T WE OF THE SAME STATUS ?
NO, NO WAY !
THIS IS REVENGE !
THE MYSTERIOUS GROUP OF 4 PEOPLE!! THE SCARED ZAN!!

UGHGAGA!!
OUCH!
YOU'RE TEN THOUSAND YEARS TOO YOUNG TO TELL ME YOUR OPINION!
KUH...
DON'T THINK IT'S OVER WITH YOU DEFYING ME!!
SMALL FISH CAN'T TRY TO LOOK SMART!
KILL HIM.
HEY, TOUJOU.
YEAH?

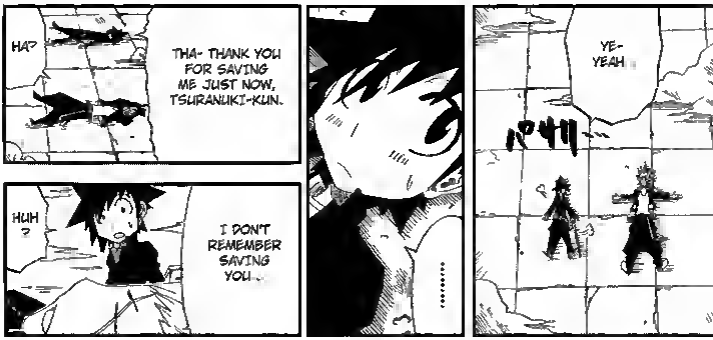
UGH!!
UGH!
!?
KUH...
.....
OUCH!
THIS
THIS PERSON...

THA...
HE'S NOT AN AVERAGE WARRIOR!!
THAT'S BAD!
AT THIS RATE ...
I'M GONNA GET KILLED!!
HUH?!
ギャギャギャギャ
!!?

LEAVE THIS AREA.
AG AG AG AG AG AI
IF YOU DON'T DO AS I SAY...
QUICKLY TELL THE EYE PATCHED GUY TO SHEATH HIS SWORD, SHRIMP
TSU, TSURUKI-KUN!
SH-SH-SH-SH-SH-SH-SHEATH YOUR SWORD, TOUJOU!!
GYAA AAAA AAAA !!!
I'LL BREAK YOUR NECK.
I- I WAS SAVED
KYA...

SINCE I'M SO HUNGRY I MIGHT DIE, LETS GO EAT, ZAN.
HUH!
HUH!
OUCH!!
O-OKAY
.....
THOSE INSECTS LOOKED DOWN ON ME...
GRUMBLE
GRUMBLE
WEIRD FELLOWS
I'LL REMEMBER THAT!!

IT FEELS GOOD, YOU SHOULD REST TOO
AND I EVEN MANAGED TO REST.
HUH?
I'VE EATEN!
I'VE EATEN!
FUU UU!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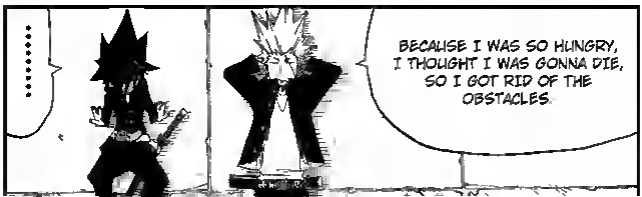
THA- THANK YOU FOR SAVING ME JUST NOW, TSURANUKI-KUN.
HUH?
I DON'T REMEMBER SAVING YOU..
.....
YE- YEAH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BECAUSE I WAS SO HUNGRY, I THOUGHT I WAS GONNA DIE, SO I GOT RID OF THE OBSTACLES.

HUH?
THAT WE'D EAT LUNCH TOGETHER ..
...
DIDN'T I PROMISE?
FRIENDS ARE REALLY GOOD!
FUA AAA AAA ...
SNOOOZE SNOOOOOOZE
I- I MANAGED TO SLEEP FOR A WHILE TOO...
... HM?

HEY !!!
?!
SCHOOL HAS ALREADY ENDED
SHORE SHORE
TSU TSUKISHIMA-SAN!
HUH ?
BUT WHAT DID YOU DO THAT YOU AND TSURUNUKI BECAME SUCH GOOD FRIENDS?
IT'S OBVIOUS FOR TSURUNUKI TO DITCH CLASSES, BUT IF YOU SPEND TOO MUCH TIME WITH HIM, YOU'LL PROBABLY CATCH HIS BAD BEHAVIOUR
MURAYAMA-KUN
HUH?
I GOT INTO A LIFE AND DEATH MATCH WITH TSURUNUKI-KUN AND HE SAID I WONM, BUT IT'S NOT LIKE I REALLY WON...
HM, HMMM...

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SO IF MURAYAMA-KUN WON AGAINST TSURANUKI, HE'S PROBABLY REALLY STRONG...
BU... BUT I HEARD TSURANUKI IS STRONG
IT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE MURAYAMA-KUN WON THAT YOU BECAME SUCH GOOD FRIENDS!
HUH?!
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WE-WELL..
ゴロゴロ
GYAAA, IT BROKE MY SPINE!
TSURANUKI!!
ドーン
WA-WA-WA-WAKE UP!
?!
WHY ARE YOU SLEEPING IN THIS PLACE AND FORCIBLY MAKING MURAYAMA-KUN DITCH CLASSES BY HANGING WITH YOU!
HEY, 'AT'RE YOU DOING?!
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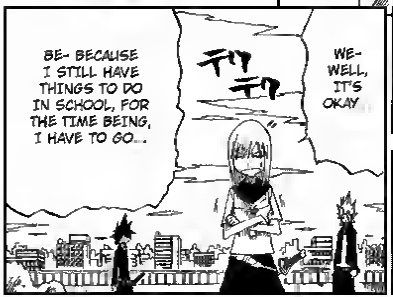
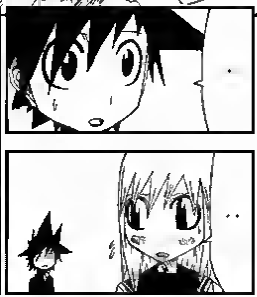
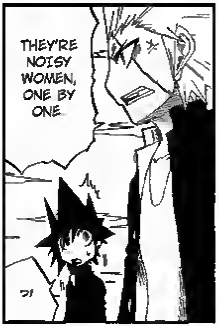
THERE IS NO WAY MURAYAMA-KUN WOULD DO SUCH A THING!!
WO OO!

HUH?!
BUT ZAN IS THE ONE WHO FORCED ME TO GO TO SLEEP


BE- BECAUSE I STILL HAVE THINGS TO DO IN SCHOOL, FOR THE TIME BEING, I HAVE TO GO...
WE- WELL, IT'S OKAY



MA- MAYBE, TSURANUKI-KUN?!
TSU TSU-TSU-TSU TSURANUKI-KUN.
HM ?


THEY'RE NOISY WOMEN, ONE BY ONE.

ドタン…

AL-ALTHOUGH IT LOOKS LIKE YOU ARE ON GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH TSUKISHIMA-SAN
MA-MAYBE...
YOU, YOU, YOU YOU TWO ARE LOVERS OR SOME-THING
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..HA?
ME AND HER HAVE GOOD RELATIONSHIP AND ARE LOVERS?
ポッカーン
DA HAHA HHAH AHA!
ARE YOU A MORON?! WHO'D LIKE THAT MAN LIKE NOISY SHREW!
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UH
YOU CAN SAY WE ARE LIKE A DOG AND A CAT.
I-I SEE...
ゴゴゴゴ
WELL NOW, YOU
キーン
?!

HEE EEEEE !!
YOU FELL IN LOVE WITH THAT SHREW, DIDN'T YOU?
H..
HEHE HEHEHE ..
IT, IT, IT, IT, IT'S NOT LIKE THAT! WHAT ARE YOU SAYING ALL OF A SUDDEN!!
ばーん
ALRIGHT!
キラーン
HUH ?
LET'S GO CONFESS NOW!
どーーーん
ざざざざ
HEEEEH ?!?!
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NASHIFUKA HIGH SCHOOL EASTSIDE OF BASEMENT DESERTED CLUBROOM
NO TRESPASSING
SEE, SEE?
GU HA!
IT'S ALREADY OVER!
AGH.
AGA GA
ガチャリッ

...
YOU'RE LIFE IS OVER
REMEMBER THAT IF YOU TELL THIS TO OTHERS
!?
HI IIIIIIIII !!!!
HI.
...GO
THAKF
WERE YOU ABLE TO PREPARE FOR THE NEXT TARGET?

IS A NEW SCHEME STARTING...!!
SHE'LL COME SOON
YES
SH SH SH SH SH SH
I'M SURE THE NEXT WAS.
HER, RIGHT?
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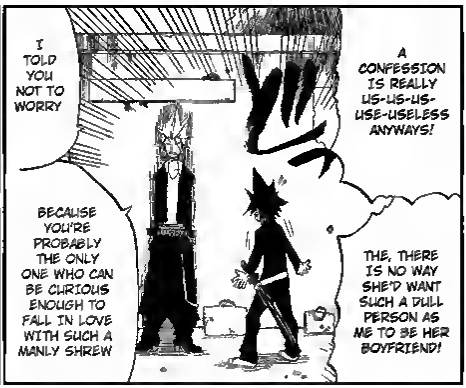
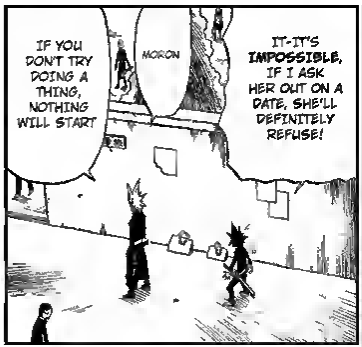
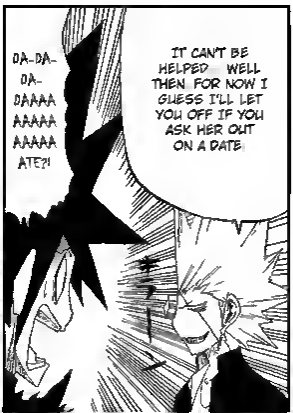

I TOLD YOU NOT TO WORRY
A CONFESSION IS REALLY US-US-US-USE-USELESS ANYWAYS!
BECAUSE YOU'RE PROBABLY THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN BE CURIOUS ENOUGH TO FALL IN LOVE WITH SUCH A MANLY SHREW
THE, THERE IS NO WAY SHE'D WANT SUCH A DULL PERSON AS ME TO BE HER BOYFRIEND!




8TH STROKE – TSUKISHIMA'S WHEREABOUTS

...ARE-AREN'T YOU JUST BEING AMUSED TSURUNUKI KUN?
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT, NIHI HIHIH !
WHEN YOU FOUGHT ME YESTERDAY, SUDDENLY THE ATMOSPHERE AROUND YOU CHANGED, WHAT WAS THAT?
HE-HE IS DEFINATELY AMUSED BY IT..
THAT'S RIGHT ZAN
HUH?
HUH?!
IF I THINK ABOUT THE CHANGE OF ATMOSPHERE IN THE SAME TIME YOUR SWORD SKILL DIDN'T CHANGE BUT YOUR PHYSICAL ABILITIES WENT UP...
AND NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, IT QUICKLY RETURNED BACK TO NORMAL
WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT?
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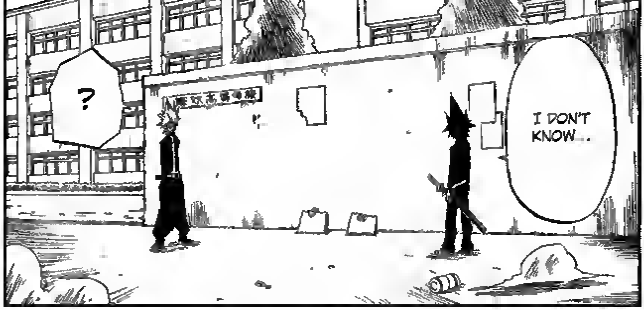
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I DON'T KNOW...

I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHEN IT STARTED...
WHY DOES IT HAPPEN...?

FOR SOME REASON, I THINK THAT SOME TIMES MY BODY DOESN'T LISTEN TO MY WILL..
I HAVE MY CONSCIOUSNESS, BUT MY BODY MOVES ON ITS OWN

ISN'T THIS WEIRD THING THE OPPOSITE MEANING AMAZING?
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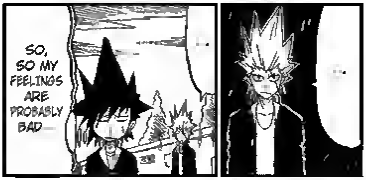
IT-IT'S NOT A NORMAL THING...
I-I'M REALLY WIERD..


SO, SO MY FEELINGS ARE PROBABLY BAD...
...
...

IT'S TRULY...
EVEN IF IT'S JUST FOR AN INSTANCE BEING ABLE TO RAISE YOUR PHYSICAL ABILITIES IN AN INSTANT IS A GREAT ADVANTAGE IN A FIGHT TO DEATH
THERE AREN'T ANY OTHER PEOPLE WHO CAN DO THAT
LIKE A ONE SURE KILLING HIT THAT WAS GIVEN ONLY TO YOU!
THA-THAT WAS GIVEN ONLY TO ME?
A-A ONE SURE KILLING HIT...
NOT ONLY CAN I NOT USE IT ON MY WILL, WHAT ABOUT THE FACT THAT MY BODY DOESN'T EVEN LISTEN TO ME?
BUT BUT
IT-IT IS SOMEHOW COOL!
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BUNDLE: A PAPER USED FOR INVITATION FOR A BATTLE

I'LL MAKE IT SO YOU WONT BE ABLE TO INSULT ME AGAIN!!!
YAAA!
URA!!
HAAAA AAAA!!

YAYAY AYAY AYA!!!
URA URAU RAURA URA!!!
KUKU KUKU
HAA
HAA
HAA
WITH THE NEXT ATTACK...

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HUH
THI-
THIS
AGAIN
DA-
DAMN
U-USHIO-
SAN!!
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AGA
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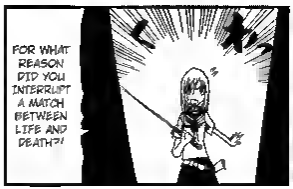
YO
USHIO
-SAN!!

!?
HE-HEY I KNOOOW THEM!
WHO ON EARTH ARE THOSE GUYS?
KUH
FROM THE RIGHT, SECOND YEAR SASAMORI EIJI AND THIRD YEARS TOUJOU KAI AND KAIBARA DAIGO
I-I'M SURE THEY ARE KAWEKURA'S UNDERLINGS !
SO I'M TAKING YOU TO THE HOSPITAL NOW!
AWAWAWA, USHIO-SAN, ARE YOU OKAY?!
RUMORS SAY THAT THOSE THREE ARE REALLY STRONG!
HEAVE-HO, SCUM

WHO-WHO ARE YOU!?


FOR WHAT REASON DID YOU INTERRUPT A MATCH BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH?!

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HA?

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WE WERE ORDERED BY MASTER KANEKURA TO BRING YOU TO HIM

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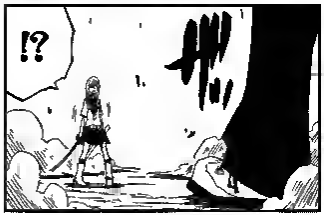
SASA-MORI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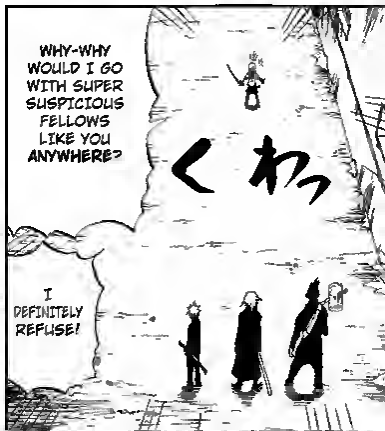
WHY-WHY WOULD I GO WITH SUPER SUSPICIOUS FELLOWS LIKE YOU ANYWHERE?
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I DEFINITELY REFUSE!

.....
IF...
I'LL MAKE YOU GO WITH BRUTE FORCE.
IF YOU WANT TO BEAT ME, GO AHEAD AND TRY IT!
HAA AAA AAA !!

YAA!!!
HUH?!
TACK
WHA- WHAT ON EARTH JUST HAPPENED
KUH ...
KYAAA

!!?
ドオオーン
UNFORTUNATE ...
THAT WAS...
SURELY BAD!!
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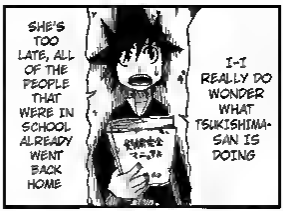
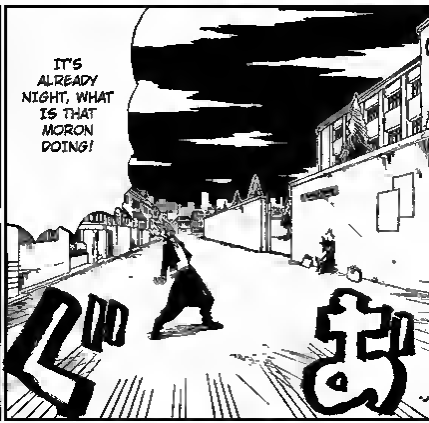
THAT'S ....



THAT
YES.
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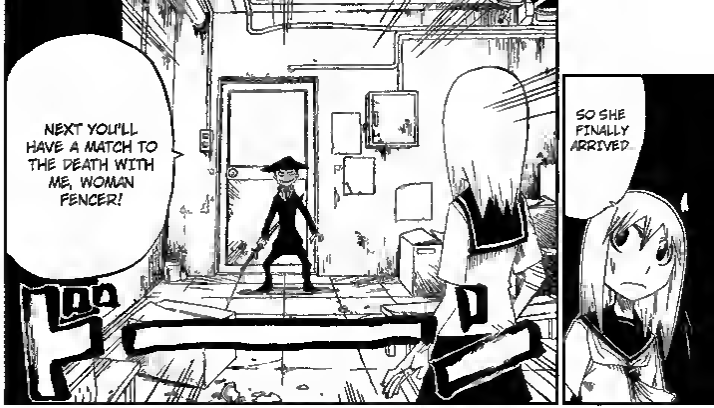
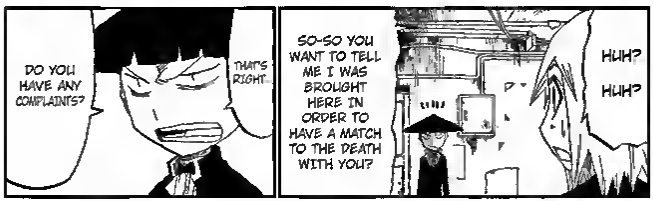
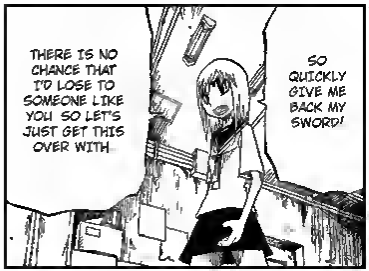
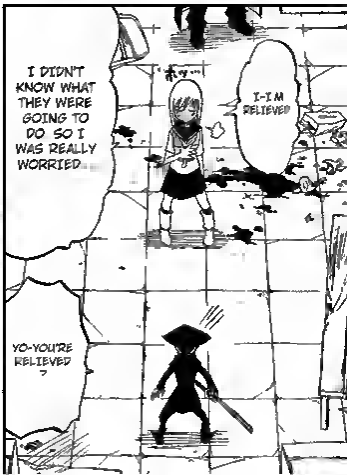
I CAN'T BELIEVE NASHIFUTA HIGH HAS SUCH A PLACE.
WHA-WHAT THE HECK IS THIS PLACE...
EVEN IF I RUN, THEY DISPOSED OF MY SWORD, THIS SITUATION IS REALLY DIFFICULT...
WHA-WHAT SHALL I DO...
AND ALSO, IT SERIOUSLY SMELLS LIKE SOME SORT OF DANGER THEIR STRENGTH WAS INCREDIBLE...
BROKEN LOCKERS AND SHELVES THAT STINK OF BLOOD...
FOR WHAT REASON DID THEY BRING ME HERE?
KAI-BARA.
GO CLOSE THE SCHOOL'S GATE
SASA-MORI
YOU GO PAIROL THE AREA


NEXT YOU'LL HAVE A MATCH TO THE DEATH WITH ME, WOMAN FENCER!
SO SHE FINALLY ARRIVED


DO YOU HAVE ANY COMPLAINTS?
THAT'S RIGHT
SO-SO YOU WANT TO TELL ME I WAS BROUGHT HERE IN ORDER TO HAVE A MATCH TO THE DEATH WITH YOU?
HUH?
HUH?


THERE IS NO CHANCE THAT I'D LOSE TO SOMEONE LIKE YOU. SO LET'S JUST GET THIS OVER WITH.
SO QUICKLY GIVE ME BACK MY SWORD!

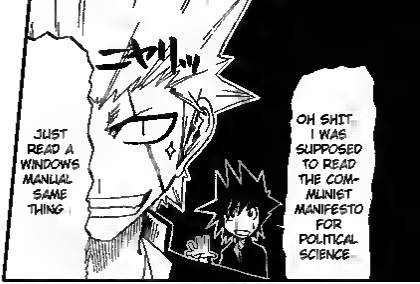

I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO SO I WAS REALLY WORRIED...
I-I'M RELIEVED!
YO-YOU'RE RELIEVED?

SO, I'LL TELL YOU IN ADVANCE, YOU TRASH

IS-IS THAT A JOKE?
SE-SEVEN MATCHES ?
UP TIL NOW, I'VE WON ALL OF THE 7 MATCHES I HAD AGAINST FENCERS WHO WERE BROUGHT HERE, I'LL SHOW YOU MY TRUE POWER!
YES
TOUJOU BRING THAT TRASH THE USUAL THING
NO-NO WAY, I NEED TO FIGHT WITH THIS THING?!
WHA-WHAT'S WITH THIS SMALL SWORD
TAKE THIS
PATCH
YOU'LL SOON BE DROWNING IN A POOL OF YOUR OWN BLOOD NOW THAT I SO WANT TO SEE! HIHIHIHI!
HI HIHIH, WELL, LET'S START!

I HEARD RUMORS THAT FENCERS WHO ARE TAKEN TO THE BASEMENT START CRUMBLING AND IN THE WORST CASE, EVEN DIEEE!
KANEKURA HAS UNFAIRLY USED HIS 3 REALLY STRONG UNDERLINGS.
TSU-TSUKISHIMA-SAN WAS KIDNAPPED?!
SHE'S REALLY A GIRL THAT SHOULD BE LOOKED AFTER...
DAMN
LET'S GO RESCUE TSUKISHIMA-SAN!
TSU-TSURAUKI-KUN!
!!?
BECAUSE I'M INTERESTED IN THOSE 3 STRONG UNDERLINGS TOO!
WELL, I HAVE SOME FREE TIME SO LET'S GO, ZAN!

NOW THE BATTLE TO SAVE TSUKISHIMA!!!

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TSUKISHIMA IS IN DANGER! ZAN, HURRY! THE ONE WHO STANDS IN YOUR WAY THERE IS KAIBARA ...!!
HII II III !
HII!
YOU SAID SOMETHING ABOUT SAVING TSUKISHIMA OR SOMETHING...
I'M SURE ...
MAYBE HE'S ONE OF THE GUYS WHO KIDNAPPED TSUKISHIMA-SAN...
KUH... THIS GUY IS THE UNDERLING OF THAT WEIRD PERSON WE MET EARLIER...
WITH ORDERS FROM TOUJOU, I, KAIBARA, WILL NOT ALLOW IT!
HUH?
IF YOU DON'T GO QUICKLY, SOMETHING MIGHT HAPPEN TO TSUKISHIMA...
ZAN ..

HE'S DREADFUL AS AN ENEMY...!! HE'S RELIABLE AS AN ALLY!!

THE BEST FRIEND IS STANDING UP!! THAT FORM, BURN IT IN YOUR EYES!!

# 斬 ZAN

STROKE 9 - TSUKISHIMA'S RESCUE BATTLE

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THAT SMALL FISH AS AN EASY VICTORY!
BU- BUT!
!
DON'T UNDERES- TIMATE ME
I-I.. UNDERSTAND
WAIT !!
WHOO OOO!
!?
?!
OH..

YOUR OPPONENT IS ME.

WHEN DID HE MANAGE TO...
...?

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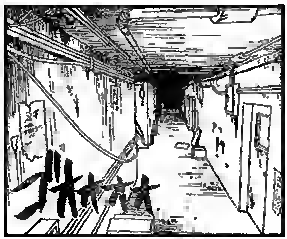

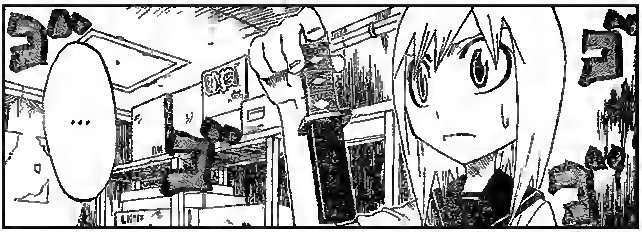
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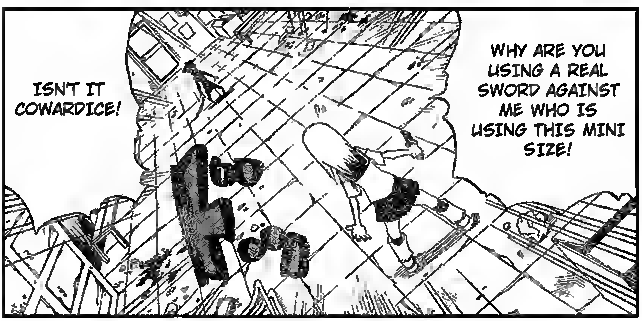
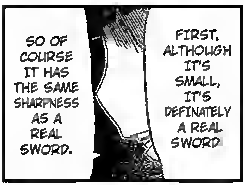
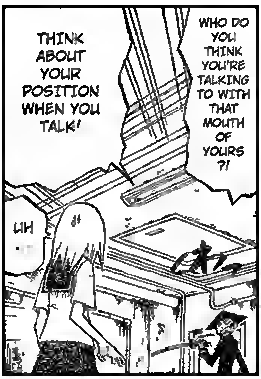

ISN'T IT COWARDICE!
WHY ARE YOU USING A REAL SWORD AGAINST ME WHO IS USING THIS MINI SIZE!

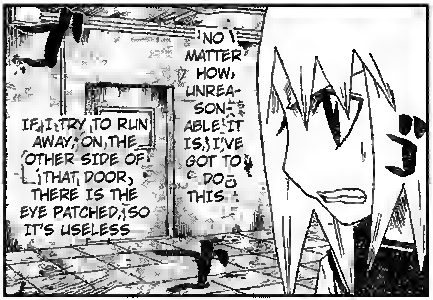

SO OF COURSE IT HAS THE SAME SHARPNESS AS A REAL SWORD.
FIRST, ALTHOUGH IT'S SMALL, IT'S DEFINATELY A REAL SWORD

WHICH MEANS


THINK ABOUT YOUR POSITION WHEN YOU TALK!
WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE TALKING TO WITH THAT MOUTH OF YOURS ?!
UH

COWARDICE?

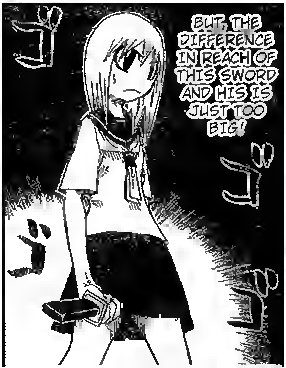
THIS IS ACCEPTED AS A FIGHT TO THE DEATH. HIHIHIHIHI!


NO MATTER HOW UNREASONABLE IT IS, I'VE GOT TO DO THIS
IF I TRY TO RUN AWAY ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THAT DOOR, THERE IS THE EYE PATCHED, SO IT'S USELESS

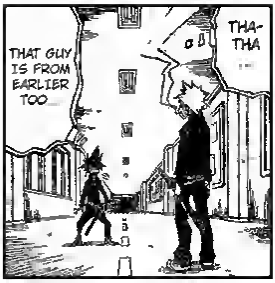
KUH

EVEN WITH THIS HANDICAP.. IT'S JUST TOO MUCH
HIH IHI HIH!
NO MATTER HOW WEAK THIS GUY IS..

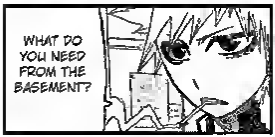
IF-IF I GO ON LIKE THIS
WHA WHAT SHALL I DO...


BUT THE DIFFERENCE IN REACH OF THIS SWORD AND HIS IS JUST TOO BIG!

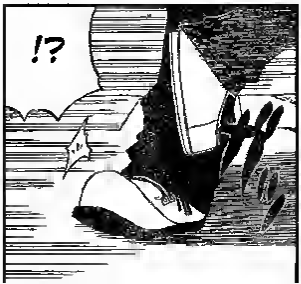
HUFF
HA
IT'D WON'T BE WEIRD IF I'M BEC KILLED!!!!
!?
TSUK-ISHIMA-SAN PLEASE BE SAFE!
HOW DO I EVEN GET TO THE BASEMENT
WAIT A SECOND
HEY, HO-HOW DO I GET TO THE BASEMENT FROM HERE?
LUCKY, I'LL TRY ASKING HIM WHERE THE BASEMENT IS.
HUH?
WHERE ARE YOU GOING IN SUCH A HURRY?


THA-
THA...
THAT GUY IS FROM EARLIER TOO...

TH-THIS IS BAD... IN SUCH A TIME TOO


WHAT DO YOU NEED FROM THE BASEMENT?

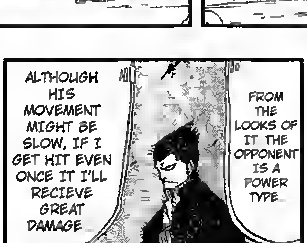
SORRY, BUT I CAN'T TELL YOU THAT.


!?

FOR THE TIME BEING I NEED TO RUN AWAY!
I-I'M REALLY SORRY! I DON'T NEED A THING!

ムクリ
UGH..
WHY ARE YOU IGNORING MY QUESTION ?
OUCH!
YOU'RE ACTING WIERD IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS, I'LL KILL YOU HERE.

ANYWAY, IF I KEEP ON ATTACKING WITHOUT LETTING HIM HIT ME, IT MIGHT END IN MY COMPELTE VICTORY
WELL, I'M SPEED TYPE


ALTHOUGH HIS MOVEMENT MIGHT BE SLOW, IF I GET HIT EVEN ONCE IT I'LL RECIEVE GREAT DAMAGE
FROM THE LOOKS OF IT THE OPPONENT IS A POWER TYPE

I'M SORRY, MY BIG OPPONENT!

BUT THIS MATCH ..

ALRIGHT!

IS MINE !!!
!?
NUU ...!
*SMILE*
SHUU ...
DO..
*LAND*

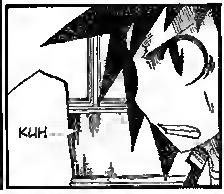
DO NOT UNDER-ESTIMATE ME!!!
NUN !!
?!?!
...

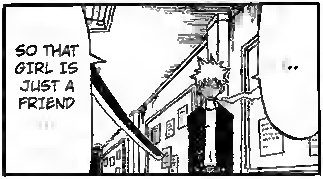
GAH !!
NUN !!
UGH GO!
?
FUU ...
NOW... DIDN'T THIS FIGHT JUST BECOME VERY INTERESTING!
*BANG*

IT... IT CAN'T BE HELPED HERE...

I DON'T HAVE ANY FAITH IN MY LEGS RIGHT NOW...

WHAT HAPPENED? WHY ARE YOU SO QUIET?


KUH...

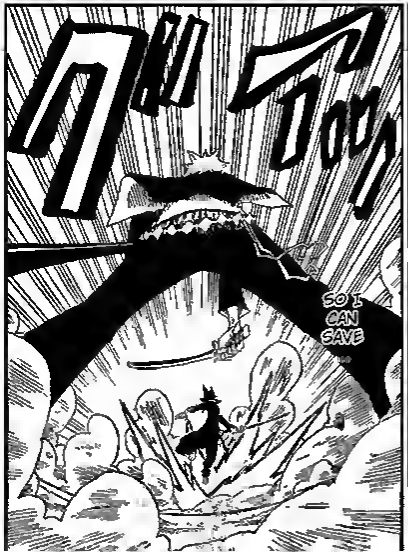

SO THAT GIRL IS JUST A FRIEND
...

HUH?

I'LL HAVE TO FIGHT

I THOUGHT I SEEN YOU SOMEWHERE, YOU'RE THAT WEIRD GUY FROM EARLIER ..
HUH?
FUUU..
HE DIDN'T GO EASY ON YOU, FOR YOU TO GUARD AN ATTACK OF THAT TOUJOU-SAN..
HUH?
WHAT?
IT'S BEEN MANY DAYS SINCE I FOUGHT A GUY ACTUALLY WORTH CHOPPING UP...
HUH ?
SAYING CHOPPING UP...
?!
COME AT ME ALREADY
LIKE A WARRIOR !
...

ズキッ
ドクン
WHOOOOOOOOOOOO!!!


ドクン
SO I CAN SAVE

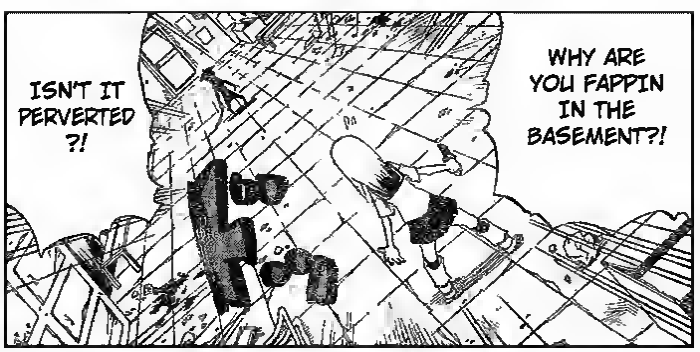
ズキッ
...
THAT'S RIGHT!

I HAVE TO ADVANCE FORWARD!!

TSUK-
ISHIMA-
SAN!!!
HUH?!
WHAAAA
AAAA!!!

...
WHAAA !!!
WHA
WHAT WHAT?! JUST NOW, BARE HANDED ...

THE KENBUTOU HAS BEEN STOPPED...?! WITH A SUSPICIOUS SHINY LEFT HAND...!!
HUH?
YOU HINDERED MY COUNTER WITH A STRONG SWORD STRIKE
I THOUGHT
YOU DOING JUST AS...
WHA, WHAT IS THAT?!
!?

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